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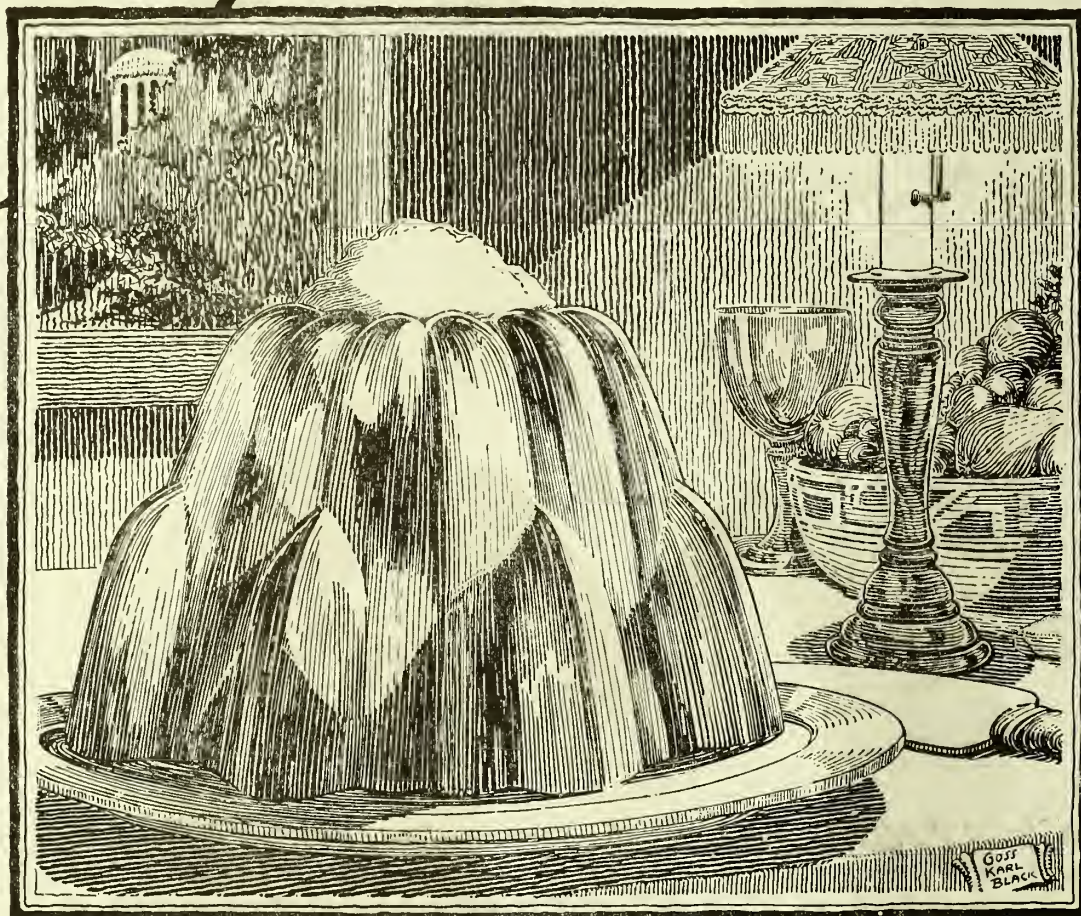
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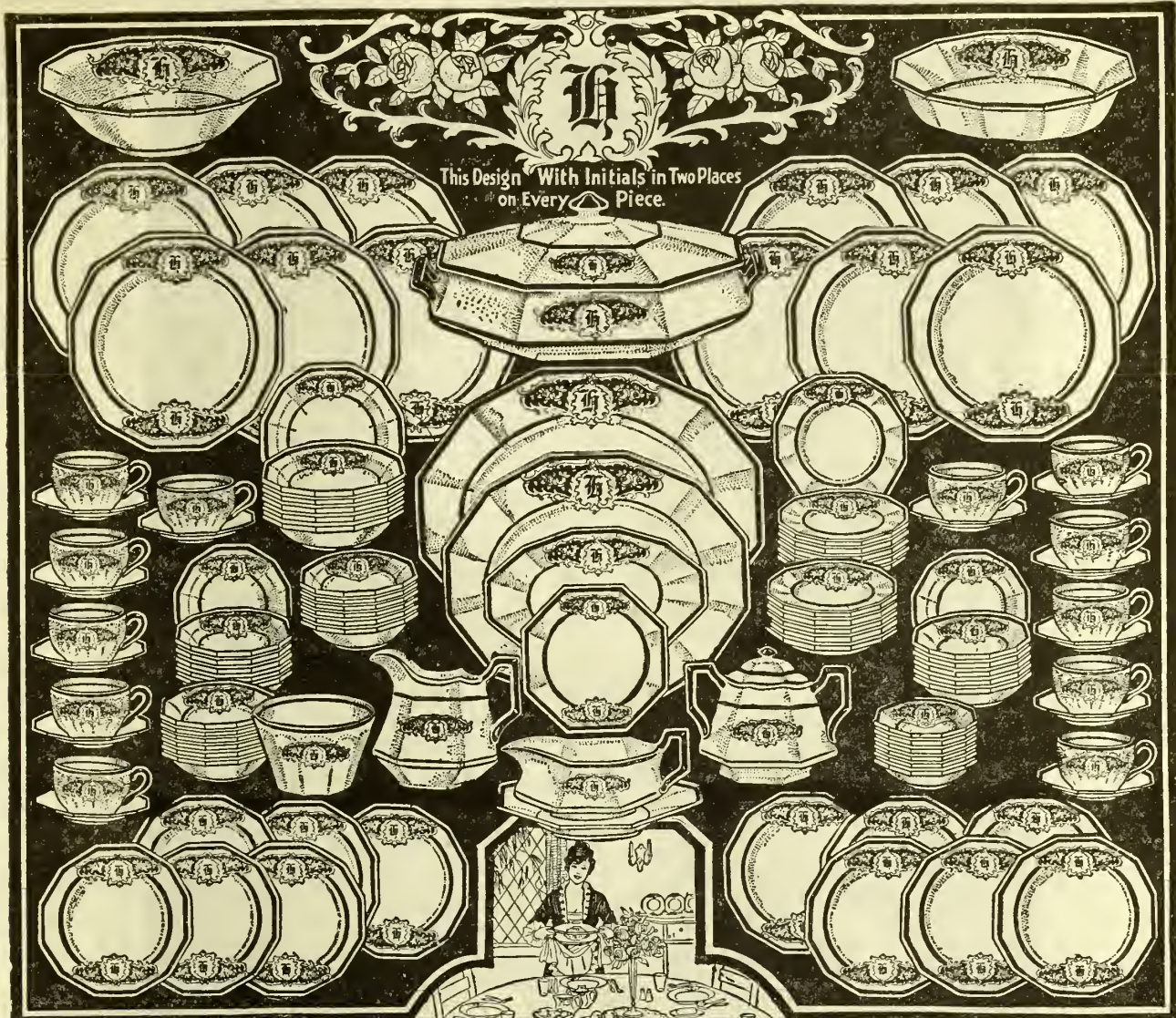
# *The End of a Perfect Meal*



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## The Legion and Organized Labor

### How the Trend in Two Great American Organizations Is Toward a Sympathetic Comprehension of Aims that Have Much in Common

**T**HE possibilities for better American citizenship that would be opened up by a program of co-operation between the organization of five million men who are the strength of American industry and the organization of former American soldiers and sailors who have not forgotten how to fight in a good cause are attracting the attention of members of both organizations.

Largely as the result of efforts made by National Commander Frederick W. Galbraith, Jr., before his death, the Third National Convention of The American Legion at Kansas City will be presented with an authoritative statement of the aims and purposes of the American Federation of Labor and their bearing upon the program for better Americanism which is being followed by The American Legion. At the Legion's National Convention, October 31, November 1 and 2, an address will be given by a member of the National Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor. The National Convention of The American Federation of Labor at Denver this summer voted to send its representative to the Legion convention after it had listened to an address delivered by Alvin W. Owsley, of Texas, Director of the Americanism Commission of The American Legion, who spoke at the instance of the Legion's late National Commander.

The interchange of viewpoints by the American Federation of Labor and The American Legion possesses unusual interest because many of the activities of Labor and the Legion have been along parallel lines. Both resist the grafting of tyrannical foreign political doctrines, such as the dictatorship of the proletariat, upon the American system of government. Both are equally opposed to a dictatorship of any class and are determined that the American Government shall be responsive to the will of the majority of all the American people. Both organizations have followed definite policies of political neutrality.

The interchange of viewpoints is also appropriate because many American

men hold memberships in both organizations. A sizable percentage of Legionnaires are members of unions affiliated with the A. F. of L., and in some cities there are posts of the Legion in which the majority of members are union men.

Since its organization The American Legion has maintained friendly relations with labor unions throughout the country, despite the fact that at some times and in some sections those relations have been jeopardized by the un-

Legion officials have always refuted such accusations against the Legion.

The Legion's attitude toward labor was expressed by Past National Commander Franklin D'Olier in a letter to the Adjutant of the Department of New Jersey at a time when a Legion post was accused of operating trains to help break a railway strike. The post's charter was suspended as the result of activities of Legionnaires in operating trains and was only granted when its members signed statements that the Legion's name had been

dragged into the affair and they had acted wholly as individuals. It has been the policy of the Legion that it would not attempt to dictate the attitude or behavior of Legionnaires as individuals. Commander D'Olier wrote:

"The American Legion has taken a very positive stand that, as an organization, it should never take any definite part in any dispute between the employer and the employee, or between capital and labor. This policy shall be adhered to strictly by the national organization, state organizations and posts as well. There is nothing to prevent the member, as an individual, from taking either side in such a controversy, but The American Legion, as an organization, should not do so."

This guiding policy has prevailed in other widely-separated instances where actions of posts have been challenged as unfair by labor unions. In many of these instances accusations have been found to be based on distorted facts. In some cases posts have been found to be

at fault and have been reprimanded. But the Legion has always emphasized the unfairness of citing isolated happenings as the basis of an indictment against the whole Legion. It contends that this is as unfair as would be the accusation that the American Federation of Labor believes in force and violence because bricks have been thrown or shots fired in a few strikes, or the accusation that all bankers are dishonest because a few bankers have absconded with depositors' funds.

The decision of the American Federation of Labor to send a representative

### The Aims of the American Federation of Labor

**S**AMUEL GOMPERS, President of the American Federation of Labor, in a letter to the late National Commander Galbraith of the Legion cited the following declaration of the A. F. of L. Convention of 1910 as expressing his organization's aims and purposes:

"Organized labor contends for the improvement of the standard of life, to uproot ignorance and foster education, to instill character and manhood and independent spirit among our people, to bring about a recognition of the interdependence of the modern life of man and his fellow man. It aims to establish a normal workday, to take the children from the factory and the workshop and place them in the school, the home and the playground. In a word, the unions of labor, recognizing the duty of toil, strive to educate their members, to make their homes more cheerful in every way, to contribute toward making life the better worth living, to avail their members of their rights as citizens and to bear the duties and responsibilities and perform the obligations they owe to our country and our fellow men. Labor contends that in every effort to achieve its praiseworthy ends all honorable and lawful means are not only commendable but should receive the sympathetic support of every right-thinking progressive man."

authorized and irresponsible acts of certain Legion posts in violating the established Legion policy of absolute neutrality in disputes between capital and labor. As the result of sporadic and isolated happenings in which the Legion has seemed to be at fault, the propaganda that the Legion is unfriendly to labor has at times seemed to gather considerable headway. The records of the organization as a whole, however, the fact that the overwhelming number of posts have never taken any part in labor controversies and the unequivocal statements of highest

to The American Legion National Convention was made after the address by Mr. Owsley had favorably impressed the delegates at the labor convention. In opening his address, Mr. Owsley said: "Just before his death, Colonel Galbraith, our very illustrious commander, said to me: 'You must go to Denver and say to the representatives of the laboring people of America that the heart of the Legion beats for them.'"

"The aims of your great and masterful and powerful organization," continued Mr. Owsley, "must, of course, meet with the patriotic approval of men who love this nation. Our fathers had their problems for solution and we have ours. Ours are as much more grave than theirs as our civilization is more complex and complicated than theirs. They fought to give us liberty; we have fought to save that liberty, regain that which was lost and win industrial and educational liberty for ourselves."

"The time has come in the history of this nation when the men who defended it from the foes from without must now join hands from the foes from within;

and when the great laboring masses of this nation join hands with their brothers in The American Legion the nation will go forward."

The resolution adopted by the convention provided that the A. F. of L. representative should convey greetings to The American Legion's National Convention "to the end that the relations between these two great organizations now so happily established may be the more closely cemented and made permanent, to the advantage of all the members of each of these patriotic societies."

Labor publications throughout the United States, many of which had been outspoken in opposition to The American Legion because of early misconceptions of the organization's plans and purposes, have been expressing a changing viewpoint as they have become familiar with the true tenets of the Legion. Typical of such expressions is this from a recent issue of the *Plain Dealer*, published at Wichita, Kans., by the Wichita Trades and Labor Assembly:

"There are those, and they are be-

coming a majority, who saw that the Legion must take up and fight its own battles if anything like justice is to be expected. Politicians made promises and failed. . . . Labor is not ashamed of its Americanism, because what better Americanism is there than that which makes for wholesome working conditions for men and women and the abolition of child labor? . . . Yes, the Legion and labor have a common battle to fight, a common foe to vanquish, and with such co-operation we can really make the world, yes, our own country, safe for democracy. The Legion has learned its lesson and we should forget the past and join the Legion and make an instrument that will always maintain the constitutional rights of our citizenship. Labor gave all to see the boys through during the war. Let's do our bit now by boosting for The American Legion."

Typical also of the spirit expressed in this editorial was the harmony exemplified at Kansas City, Kans., in June when Wyandotte Post of The American Legion joined with labor

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# Adjusted Compensation and the House

## National Legislative Committee's Letter Brings Replies That Evidence a Sure Sentiment in Favor of the Measure

THE National Legislative Committee of The American Legion is convinced that members of the House of Representatives are four to one in favor of the Adjusted Compensation Bill despite President Harding's attitude toward the measure and the predictions made at the time of the recommitment of the bill in the Senate that it had been consigned to its legislative grave.

If this estimate is approximately accurate it strengthens hopes that the House will again pass the compensation measure, by an overwhelming majority, as it did in the last session when the Senate's failure to consider the bill before adjournment allowed it to die automatically. The effort to have the House pass the bill is now the basis of the Legion's strategy.

The National Legislative Committee's reliance upon sentiment among representatives is based upon a general estimate of the compensation situation. Incidentally, it finds support for its belief in replies received from members of the House to a letter sent out by the committee explaining the bill and the Legion's position. The response to this letter was remarkable. Although replies were not specifically requested, almost 200 representatives, nearly half the membership of the House, wrote letters in reply expressing their views on the measure. Of these 160 expressed themselves as dependably in favor of the bill and only 40 were non-committal or evasive. Representatives high in the councils of the Administration and the dominant party showed signs of kicking over the executive traces. In substance most of the letters said: "We are in favor of the Adjusted Compensation Bill and we are in favor of it right now."

If we can discharge our obligations to the railroads, the contractors, shipping and everybody else, we can pay our soldiers what we owe them. Give us a chance to vote for the bill."

Indicating the views held by scores of representatives are the following expressions extracted from a few of the many letters replying to the National Legislative Committee's statement of the Legion's position:

JAMES A. FREAR, Wisconsin, Republican: "I am in entire sympathy to put through a soldiers' adjusted compensation bill without delay. I have noticed that those who are opposed to the bill generally are not men who served in the Army at one dollar a day or were selected by Congress for that purpose. . . . The illustrations are endless in my judgment in favor of preferring the soldiers' bill to many of those which have been and are being pressed on Congress for allowance."

MARION E. RHODES, Missouri, Republican: "I am in hearty accord and will cheerfully do what I can to bring about the early passage of such legislation."

OLGER B. BURTNES, North Dakota, Republican: "I am heartily in favor thereof, and it cannot be passed any too soon to suit me."

LOUIS W. FAIRFIELD, Indiana, Republican: "If I had had my way I would have passed the bill on the assembling of the Republican Congress and cut all other appropriations to suit the necessity. It seems as though we could find money to pay everything else under the heavens, and I do not think the country is so poverty stricken or its financial status such as seriously to injure us."

WILLIS C. HAWLEY, Oregon, Re-

publican: "I was chairman of one of the sub-committees that framed the Adjusted Compensation Bill which passed the House at the last session but died in the Senate. I have had no reason so far to change my views on the subject."

THOMAS D. SCHALL, Minnesota, Republican: "I am along with you boys greatly disappointed with the procrastination of the Senate. To me it seems damn peculiar that these fellows who have been so strong for the bonus of a billion dollars to the railroads and who are at this time in co-operation with the United States treasurer to help them get \$500,000,000 more in order to heal their wartime losses should suddenly be so saving when it comes to a question of the defenders of the country. Emergency, yes, but there is emergency now. The emergency of the human side."

JOHN I. NOLAN, California, Republican: "Notwithstanding the position of the President and the Secretary of the Treasury I am firmly convinced that it would only be an act of justice to have given this measure preferential status. If the Government can afford to prop up the tottering railroads of the country by loaning them hundreds of millions of dollars and making adjustments with them to the extent of hundreds of millions more, and inasmuch as the Government adjusted all of their obligations with the war profiteers and others immediately following the war, it seems only fair to me that without any delay we ought to pass the Adjusted Compensation Bill, which to my notion, instead of producing economic disaster, would do more to stimulate business by assisting those

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# From the Ranks

By Preston Kayser

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**EVERYONE** who knows his O. Henry knows the story of Soapy, the hobo who tried in vain to get arrested and then, reformed in an instant by the subtle suasion of a church organ, was arrested as a vagrant as he was about to enter the church. This is the story of an army Soapy—of Private Feeser and his stern manhandling by an unrelenting fate.

**T**HE new moon was doling its meager light upon the Arizona desert. The camp of the

Twenty-second Infantry, near Douglas, loomed out of the dull flatness like a city of minarets and spires built upon a stage.

It was silent, almost deserted, after the fashion of all soldier camps in the early evening.

A lank, swarthy man with fiery eyes that reflected secret sorrow sat upon a packing box in the street of Company A. His attitude pictured dejection; he was not smoking, he was not even swinging his feet. This was Private Feeser. That morning a heartless colonel had ordered him ejected from the guard house, where he had been a guest for several week-ends, including the periods intervening. Tomorrow a four day hike was to begin.

From across the parade, where a sentry returned his charges from some nightly duty, came the sounds of deep voices:

"Number One! Three prisoners!"

"Corporal of the guard! Three prisoners!"

"Make it four," muttered Feeser to himself and the packing box—and at that very instant Inspiration descended upon him as suddenly and unsought as an officer of the day upon a crap game.

Glancing about to make sure that no one observed him, he carefully ruffled his hair, unbuttoned the front of his olive drab shirt and removed his hat cord and stuffed it into a pocket. This preliminary toilet completed, he arose and made for the head of the company street, affecting that rambling, indecisive gait that identifies the inebriate no less than the lieutenant on his first parade.

He projected himself into the orderly tent wherein, by the light of two candles, a bulky, patient-looking man toiled industriously at a small desk. Feeser took station near the door as a precautionary measure.

"Sharjent—lishen, sharjent, I've sholdjered in four—five outfits 'n my time—'n lishen, sharjent, I've always made practish—'n fact in-invar'ble cushtom to—beat up th' furrs-sarjent—furss-sarjent—understand?"

"Just a minute, me boy, while I indorse the name of ye on me duty roster; ye'd been in the hoosegow so long I'd plum forgotten ye. Ye will perform kitchen police on the hike, me boy, and ye'll not ride the wagons, also. 'Twas a happy thought, your visit this evening."

While he was speaking, the first sergeant had been making sundry notations in the little book that lay before him.

"Now, in the matter of the customs and practices ye refer to—"

He pushed his stool back from the desk, hitched up his shirt sleeves with deft, almost imperceptible motions and got to his feet in that patient way he had.

By the time he had fully arisen, Feeser had fully departed.

Learned men with triangular visages, scanty hair and horn-rimmed spectacles, who sit up late of nights by lamplight, tell us that to the soldier in mortal danger his enemy always appears larger, closer and more formidable than he really is.

Perhaps they are right. I will ask Feeser.

Twenty minutes later he was down town, unperturbed by the failure of his first effort. He appreciated that he had erred in having expected a favor from a first sergeant. They are notoriously difficult to deal with. No matter—the evening was still young. Could a soldier fail to achieve imprisonment if he honestly concentrated upon it?

His glance encompassed a stalwart, belted figure a scanty hundred yards ahead. He saw with satisfaction the blue brassard encircling the arm and bearing, he knew, the mystic inscription "M. P."

He hung his head, assumed an attitude of having been drunk three weeks and began to zig-zag along like a sailing yacht with the wind against it. He resembled a soldier seeking cigarette butts at police-up time, or a private from the development battalion executing a command.

When he was certain that the M. P. was regarding him critically, he collided roughly with a frail civilian gentleman who had just emerged from a nearby store, and began addressing him as "li'l rat" and with other supposedly inappropriate titles.

The belted guardian immediately rushed over and took command of the situation. He had been praying for something like this. Three attractive women were loitering by the shop window. The civilian appeared very much relieved. He addressed the bystanders:

"If he hadn't been so in-

toxicated—so unaware of what he was doing, I would have struck him."

The three young women remembered a ludicrous remark that they had heard during the previous winter, and giggled.

"I'll put this bird where he won't bother anybody for a while," announced the M. P. to everyone in general as he led Feeser away. "Leave it to Me," he added, somewhat boastfully, eyeing the trio of giggling young women squintwise.

Feeser was elated. He made himself as troublesome to his captor as possible. He pulled, jerked, stumbled. He feigned frantic efforts to free himself, but the grasp on his wrist was iron, and progress toward downtown headquarters steady.

In but a few moments they would arrive. He knew the scene. In front of the ancient, abandoned building that served as M. P. headquarters, barracks, court-house and dice-shooting parlor, there would be the idling pack that squats on curbs and door sills between hours of duty, smoking cigarettes and expounding new methods of cracking skulls; there would be the damp, dingy, ill-odored room inside where—

His thoughts were here rudely interrupted. The two were passing an alley and Feeser was mechanically executing his specialty—the lurch for liberty. He leaned from his captor and gave a sudden tug. The M. P.'s grasp relaxed and Feeser settled down amid cans and broken bottles.

The M. P. helped him regain his feet but, instead of resuming their course, drew him farther into the shadows, saying no word and watching toward the street, as though fearful of witnesses.

A sense of impending evil came to Private Feeser. A trickling, prickling chill originated directly beneath the crown of his hat and crept stealthily downward; the power of movement deserted him; his mouth became dry. God—he had overdone it! He had made the M. P. angry! He had heard terrible tales—he might have known better—here he was, out of sight, out of hearing—for the first time in his life he could love an officer, if one would only come—right now—

"Say, bud," said the M. P., "give us a drink, will you? Sorry I had to make all the fuss. You know how it is—everybody standing around. Give us a drink—and beat it! Hurry up!"

Feeser could not speak just yet. The M. P. hastily ran his hands over



"I've always made practish—beat up th' furrs sarjent"

Feeser's garments, but discovered no significant bulge.

"Go to hell," he remarked in a surly, disappointed voice as he turned and strode away.

"Go to hell," answered Feeser politely, in a whisper that seemed to come from a dream.

Fifteen minutes later Feeser sat in the back room of a certain pool and soft drink emporium where gathered nightly the swinish, the unwashed, the vulgar; pot-walloper, slubberdegullion and second-story man; scum of the scum and riff of the raff. Also the thirsty. Window shades nailed down, lights dimmed, conversation low, faces tense, whiskey rotten. The Saloon, model of 1921. No, I will not tell you where it is.

When he left this establishment his step was sprightly and a gentle, kindly glow suffused his lengthy frame. Richard was himself again. He took the main route to camp. He couldn't trust himself to remain downtown. He might run into that M. P. again and might not be able to refrain from murdering him with his bare fists; he had no desire to be charged with such a serious matter.

A short distance ahead, and traveling in the same direction, was an officer. He seemed to be a very young officer. Good—young officers were apt to be unusually sensitive to attacks on their dignity. Also, no matter what happens, an officer may not strike a soldier.

"Hey, cap!" shouted Feeser. The officer stopped and turned toward him inquiringly.

"Hey, cap—oh, excuse me—lieutenant—well, for the love of Mike, if it ain't a Quartermaster lieutenant! Why ain't he at the warehouse counting breeches?"

The officer looked up and down the street as if for assistance. No matter what happens, an officer may not strike a soldier.

"What's a matter, lieutenant, any—" The officer shifted his feet suddenly and his right arm shot out swiftly—like a corporal from his tent at mess call. Feeser crumpled to the sidewalk, and for a few fleeting seconds dwelt in the splendor of the heavens.

Through a mist of diaphanous blue he saw Jupiter, Saturn, Sirius, the Pleiades, Adlebaran—all of them—close at hand, and jumping about like kittens at play. Constellations paraded before him and performed strange antics as they passed the reviewing stand. And through it all a hidden celestial orchestra played softly on Aeolian harps of exquisite sweetness.

And the soldier's spirit, baptized in star dust during its brief sojourn in Elysian fields, underwent metamorphosis and returned to earth as fair and simple as a child's.

When he opened one of his eyes he realized that he was a changed man. Gone were his old malignant impulses; gone were the indifference to duty and contempt for his fellows that had actuated him heretofore. In their place surged ambitions, and resolutions of effort and achievement. He would reform—it was not too late! He would master himself, and thereby the world. He would win the respect and confidence of his comrades. In time he might acquire chevrons, even a commission. Yes, even a com-

mission! Why not? True, he had made a record as a boob and an ass; but since when did that disqualify a person for a commission?

He had gone to sleep a cocoon and had awakened a butterfly.

Impossible, far fetched, ridiculous, do I hear you say? Then, dear sir or madame, I am sure you never have been punched in the eye.

He returned to camp and to his tent, and after a short session with a basin of cold water crawled into his cot, conscious of his spiritual rebirth and a dull ache in the right cheek bone.

The ensuing days on the hike were difficult. Regardless of the transformation that had occurred in his heart, his eye had not been improved by the incident. It became swollen, like a poisoned puppy, or a landlord's purse. It assumed various and variegated hues ranging from the somber tones of mourning to the livelier tints, such as egg yellow and pill pink. His comrades christened him Aladdin on account, as they said, of his wonderful lamp.

Much ridicule, much banter, much irony were his portion, but his tormentors might as well have blown peas at a rhinoceros. Gibe and jest were met with silence; he massaged his platters and scratched the backs of his pans as though he had heard them not. Often he would even essay a smile; if the result was somewhat sickly it was not his fault—a certain proportion of his facial muscles were for the present beyond his control.

At night, while he lay on his blanket and looked up into the blinking firmament, he saw bright visions, and he felt grateful to that firmament for having sent its representatives down to pay him a personal call. He was an officer, arrayed in smartly tailored uniform, immaculate linen, shiny leggings, swagger stick—everything; sturdy men were saluting (oh, how kind and good he would be to them!); beautiful girls were smiling at him, little coquettish smiles—but he could see the yearning underneath; the first sergeant was speaking respectfully to him (but he was going to be fired anyway); an M. P.—oh—an M. P.—But the sandman, who arrives early during the hike, came to the defense of the M. P. It

seems that nothing can ever be done about those fellows.

A long hike is good for the Infantryman. I have this from several colonels and majors who are all self-sacrificing enough to ride horses. But the end of the hike finds nerves raw, tongues harsh, thoughts bitter. Of course, after you have had a chance to luxuriate under a shower of cold water and have sprawled on the cot that you haven't seen for an interminable age, as it seems—but that is another story, as the architect said of the attic.

On the afternoon of the fourth day the long column plodded back into camp, bringing with it its low, thick cloud of hot, white, choking dust. The gait of the regiment was the gait of camels after nine days in mid-Sahara. Tr-r-ramp,—tr-r-ramp,—tr-r-ramp,—tr-r-ramp,—tr-r-ramp,—backs wet; canteens dry; mouths hot; hair a wet mass; eyes blinking; leggings a pair of cylindrical torture chambers;

feet burnt—cr-r-runch,—cr-r-runch,—cr-r-runch,—cr-r-runch,—cr-r-runch,—"Move up, damn you!"—smouldering hate—tra-a-ramp,—tr-r-ramp,—"Dismiss your com-pan-ees!" And officers fall out, leaving first sergeants in command.

Company A turned into its street and wearily swung into line.

"Straighten out—straighten out—up a little on the left—up a little on the left—com-pan-ee—HALT!—Now, who the blazes was that?"

The first sergeant strode along the line of dust-begrimed, sweating men. The line stood stark and silent. Some man had dropped his rifle!

Do not sit aghast; it is not so serious as that. Do not laugh, either; it is serious enough. It will make officers swear quicker than giving them a mule to drive. Soldiers of thirty years' service will tell you, truthfully perhaps, that they have never dropped a rifle at a formation—or at least that they have done it only once. It is as though you should knock a rare piece of bric-a-brac off the mantelpiece at the De Puyster reception, or upset the Venus de Milo while strolling through the Louvre.

"Now who the—well, by the eternal damnation—Feeser—of course! So it's you, is it? You!" His voice became suave and gentle (he was a very patient man). "Pick up your rifle, me boy, and we'll be taking a trip over to see the captain. Come to me tent when you're ready."

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# Stalking a Better Job

"The Wise Man Will Move Slowly, Cautiously, Intelligently, Being Sure He Sees Where He Is Going"

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IT is natural and right for every ambitious man to look forward to a better position for himself, one where his responsibilities will be greater, where he can use more of his ability and thus command a higher salary.

Some men do not distinguish between a softer job and a better job. The man who is just looking for an easier job—who thinks the pasture next to his is greener—is on the wrong track.

To many men a better job means, almost without thought, a job with some other employer, means going with some other company in the same business or a different one.

A man's present company is often his best prospect for a new, better position, and by all means should receive his first consideration. He knows the business of his company, the various kinds of work, the different positions. By keeping his eyes and ears open and using his brain he can determine just where he stands in the organization and what better positions there are ahead of him. Knowing his own company better than any other he can more easily figure his chances for promotion and the positions he might ultimately hope to occupy in that organization.

One big advantage of looking for a better job in the same company is the fact that changing jobs within an organization does not break up the continuity of service. A man may spend a year each in several jobs but he is still with the same company, and is building up a record of service that is a valuable asset.

No man should stay with any company where he sees no future, but every advance in his own company that he can make puts him, of course, on more solid ground.

Just plain continuity of service without intelligence is worthless, however, as in the case of the Negro railway car wheelinspector in the terminal of a great railroad. One of the efficiency experts of the railroad heard of the remarkable record of this man, who for twenty-five years had never been late or absent from his work of inspecting the wheels on the trains as they pulled into the station. The expert wanted to see such an example of faithfulness and industry. He wanted to

see him at work. He found him going from car to car with his lantern and hammer, tapping, tapping, passing on.

"Is your name Peter Jackson?" he asked the old colored man.

"You got me right, boss. dat's my name."

"How long have you been on this job, Peter?"

"Pears like it's most twenty-five years now, boss."

"Tell me just why you tap those wheels with your hammer."

And this jewel of efficiency replied: "Tell the truth, boss, damn if I know. I hits every one of them though, yes, sah."

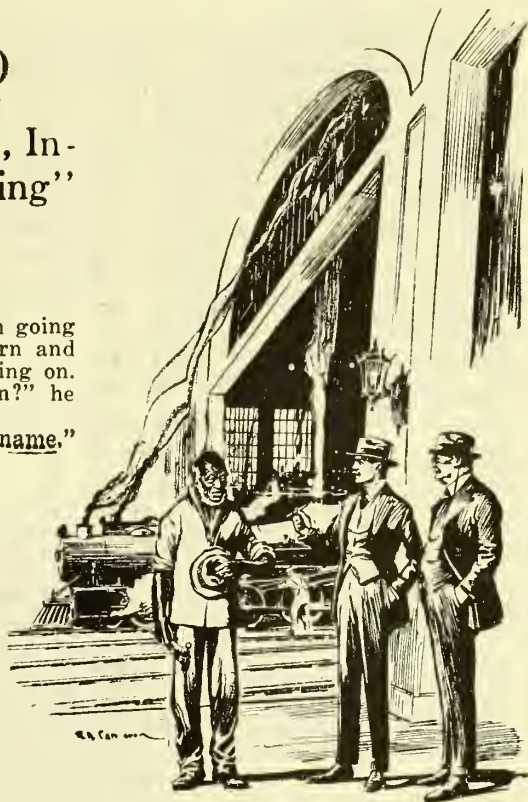
The man who occupies the important position of general manager of a big manufacturing company found that looking for a better job with his own company was the ideal solution of his problem. Before he entered the army he had been sales manager of the company and had made good. His president had not been fully in accord with his going into the army, however, and the position was successfully filled while he was away by his former subordinate, a man who was likewise his personal friend.

Returning to business again after two years, he analyzed the various fields of work in which he might find a place and decided that his old company was a good prospect—as good if not better than a lot of companies that he knew less about. So, in spite of the president's former attitude toward him, he at once got in touch with him, placing before him his hopes and ambitions and indicating that he was open for a position of responsibility with his old

firm if such existed for him. He capitalized his value to them because of his knowledge of their business and their problems and indicated just why he was putting the matter up to his former president as well as looking elsewhere. The president was rather cool, although entirely pleasant and easily approachable. He promised to consider his former sales manager for a position of trust and told him to come back in about ten days.

Did the returned major sit down and wait with hands folded for ten days?

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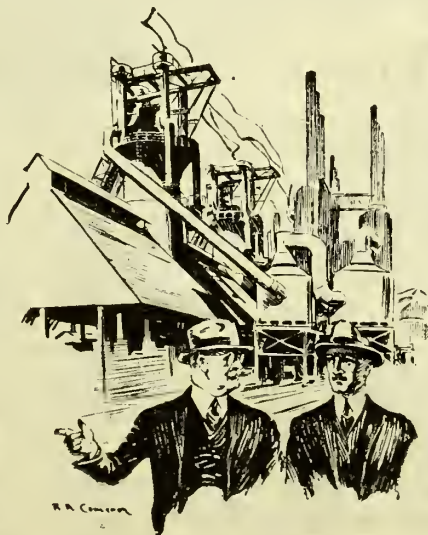
He did not. He carefully chose twenty-five leading companies in lines similar to his old business and started an active campaign on them for a position. Seven companies out of the twenty-five were interested and he took trips to Chicago, Cleveland and Pittsburgh to interview prospective employers and two of them stopped over to see him in New York. The seven companies boiled down to three that really offered him something worth while.

With his evidence of their interest in the shape of telegrams and letters, he returned to his old executive and presented his case. "Mr. Smith, here are the presidents of three companies as important as yours who are willing to place me in a position of responsibility, basing their action on my record with your company. I feel that any value I will have in their employ would be multiplied with you because of my intimate knowledge of your proposition. Can you afford to let me go to them?"

He couldn't and he didn't, and so the former major was made general manager of his old company and is successfully carrying it through the hardest period it has ever known.

When a man thinks that a change from one company to another will be a vast improvement he is often basing his belief on ignorance. He knows the good and bad aspects of his present company, but of the other company he knows nothing and often considers it to be entirely good. Such men will make frying pan to fire leaps and accomplish nothing.

The personnel manager of a large corporation told me recently that it was surprising how mean all other corporations must be to their men. "Every day I have men apply to me for positions with my company and tell me how



they are held down, underpaid, and without future in corporations where the largest opportunities in the country exist, where big men in big positions are an absolute necessity. Yes, and I know that some of our own men looking elsewhere for pastures new tell other employment managers the same foolish, shortsighted things about my company. And yet our president once trucked steel in our factory and our treasurer was a production clerk right out there in the mills."

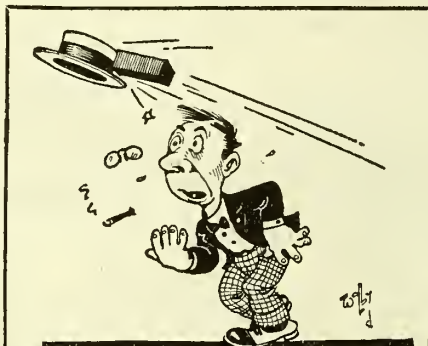
When a man feels limited and side-tracked in any company of over twenty-five employees, nine times out of ten, the limitations are within his own mind and heart.

One big steel manufacturer loses interest in any applicant who asks, "Is there any chance for advancement in this work?" He feels that any man who has not reasoned out the whys of advancement, who cannot see opportunity for advancement sticking out all over his work is too immature or too lacking in imagination to make a good employee.

In every move made from one company to another a man is sure to lose something—contact with old friends, changing his home from one town to another, or one part of town to another, breaking his service record, and a hundred other little things which may or may not be overbalanced by the good derived, but which should always be considered carefully. A change of companies for salary increase alone often shows up in the long run on the debit side of the ledger.

If it is just a change that a man considers, perhaps one executive's plan will help. This man comes to his office every day with the thought that his job is a new one to him. He says to himself: "If I were just taking over this job this morning what would I think of my predecessor's work and how would I go about bettering it? What changes would I make to beat his record? What new vision can I bring to the work?" And thus he benefits by having a job that always appears new and interesting and the job benefits by his careful analysis of himself and his methods. He gets a new job every day with all of the advantages and none of the disadvantages.

Changing companies to get a better title is often as unwise as changing for salary alone. The higher up in an organization a man gets the less he thinks of his title and the more he thinks of his opportunities for doing worth while, constructive work. During the reorganization of one of the largest corporations in this country a former vice president, a man of great



**Straw hats will soon vanish but that is all the more reason why you should bet your buddy a new fedora that you can get your man in the every-member-get-a-member campaign before he gets his.**

ability, was offered the presidency. When he turned it down he was asked: "What are you going to do?" "Oh, I'll just work around, there's plenty of work for me to do, let me just continue to be a vice president." His work is even more important than that of the president of his corporation—he knew it, and the better title with its lessened opportunity for big work meant nothing to him.

If a man seriously views his own company and finds no attractive prospect there, he should begin to look elsewhere. His own industry would seem the first and best field because here he can capitalize his largest asset—his experience. Why do the help wanted advertisements one right after the other say, "Experience necessary"? Is it an arbitrary phrase just thrown in by habit? No, it is an important message to every man. Some executives will hire men for their potentialities,

for what they may be able to do in a new line of work, but most executives want to hire men of experience, men who have accomplished things, men who know how. So the intelligent man will look carefully among other companies in the same line before going further.

Here comes up the question of going with a competitor. If the new company is really actively and closely a competitor of his present firm a man will lose nothing by going to his present superior and stating his case. If he tells him frankly why he desires to change, why he thinks the competing company offers a better opportunity, then he can either stay if he is shown a better opportunity with his own company or if he goes, he at least does so with the full knowledge, if not the consent, of his former employer.

The question of whether it is better to work for a large or small company is a hard one for any man to decide. Generally speaking a man will get more varied experience with a small company but may find the size of the company limits his full growth. The ideal position probably is to locate with a small but growing company and grow and learn with it.

Having picked out the company he feels he should be working for, he should endeavor in every legitimate way to get a good idea of all the ramifications of that company's business. He should learn what they make, what they sell and where they sell it, find out from the bank their credit rating and in similar ways make sure that the organization of which he wants to be a part is one that offers real opportunity to him.

When his campaign on the first company is well started, the next move is to pick out another good company and another, and another, because by building up a number of prospective employers he can best find a real opportunity for himself and save time.

When the question of changing jobs comes up for solution the wise man will move slowly, move cautiously, move intelligently, being sure he sees where he is going, in order that while making a minimum number of changes he can constantly advance towards his ultimate success.

## Is a Sunday Fighter Worth Sunday Burial?

**A**RE soldiers who fought on Sunday and died on Sunday entitled to burial on Sunday?

Canton (O.) Post was not permitted to fulfill the last rites over the body of Corporal Walker J. Griffith, killed on the Marne, because of a ruling by officials of the Canton Cemetery Association forbidding Sunday funerals except when death is caused by a contagious disease.

After funeral services had been held at the home of the soldier's parents in Canton, the body was taken to Westlawn Cemetery. Burial services were held, but no grave had been dug because of the ruling by cemetery officials. Accordingly ex-service men from the Army and Navy, with national guardsmen, stood guard over the flag-draped casket from the time the body arrived beside the grave until

eleven o'clock next morning, when employees of the cemetery were permitted to dig the grave.

Members of the Legion in Canton had paid particular honor to Corporal Griffith. Their desire to give full military ceremony to the funeral prohibited services on a week day, when many of the men would have been at work. Fifty-seven funerals already had been conducted by Canton Legionnaires and national guardsmen, and the undesirability of asking men to leave work to form a military escort on week days was apparent. Yet the policy of the cemetery officials was not announced until complete arrangements for a Sunday military funeral had been made, post officials say.

The men responsible for the ruling declared through Canton newspapers that both ministers and undertakers of

Canton were opposed to Sunday funerals. Legionnaires, however, made a canvass of Canton clergymen and undertakers and failed to find a man among them willing to support the association's action in opposing the Sunday observance.

"It is next to impossible to hold military funerals on week days and get more than a handful of ex-service men to attend because of the difficulty in leaving work for the time necessary for participation in the rites," Dr. J. B. Dougherty, commander of Canton Post, told J. A. Reed, secretary and superintendent of the cemetery association. "Furthermore, American soldiers who fought on Sunday and died on Sunday ought to be allowed to be buried on Sunday. And they will be, if Legionnaires of Canton can get this ruling rescinded."

# A Touch of Auld Lang Syne



Grandmere's sector is near Limoges, where she once dispensed anything a pitcher can hold to thirsty Yanks.

Who was it said, "Every man has two countries—his own and France"? In France today the camera shooter may take a shot here and there of places which, while they may not be forever American, are still American enough to be recognizable. The doughboy has passed on, and Looey the Second has left the land of Louis XIV, but everywhere are signs which recall that "Lafayette-we-are-still-here" feeling.



Also in the Limoges area is this no-place-like-home omelette foundry, to which come wandering back the dream ghosts of American bucks.



They're weak on spelling at Nantes, but as long as boards hold together and paint endures the valley of the Loire will treasure this restaurant as an A. E. F. reliquary.



The memory of the olive drab immortals, the giants of those days of 1918, is perpetuated by small statues of doughboys and an American flag above the bar of this cafe in Tours.



Eagerly this elderly Francaise, who has her stand under the trees in the park at Versailles, scans the faces of the American tourists who ask for citronade or grenadine, hoping she may recognize one of her khaki customers of 1918 and 1919.



But wait! Not a single reminder of the departed Americans here, in front of the Cafe de la Paix, Place de l'Opera, Paris. The aviators in the orchestra chairs are gone, of course. But there is still a liberal sprinkling of horizon blue.



# EDITORIAL



**There is but one path for every true man to travel, and that is broad and plain. He who is not for his country is against her. There is no neutral position to be occupied.—Lewis Cass.**

## Sixty Days Gone, Sixty Left

**T**HE every-member-get-a-member campaign began, in accordance with the wishes of the late National Commander Galbraith as expressed in his last official utterance to the Legion, on July 4th. It will end on October 31st, the opening day of the Third National Convention at Kansas City. The date of the current issue of the official magazine, September 2d, is exactly the half-way mark between the opening and closing days of the drive.

Have you got your member? The second and last lap is beginning. Temperate fall days and nights are ahead after a sizzling summer. It's ideal membership weather. Make the most of it—for Galbraith and the Legion!

## September 6, 1757 and 1914

**T**HE debatable point of which day to observe as the true anniversary of the battle of the Marne is happily settled for Americans by the fact that Lafayette's birthday anniversary falls on September 6th. Actually the battle lasted from September 5th to September 10th; on the evening of the latter day the German forces were in full but orderly retreat to the line that was to be the stabilized front for most of the war. The two great days, however, are the 6th and the 9th. It was on the 6th that the French counter-offensive began to develop; it was on the 9th that the thrust of Foch opened the way to the flanking movement that made a German retreat imperative.

In urging posts to participate in the nation-wide observance of Lafayette-Marne Day next Tuesday, National Headquarters of the Legion recognizes the double importance of the anniversary and its special significance to members of the Legion. That significance will be impressed even more strongly on the personnel of the Legion party which has been revisiting old battle scenes as the guests of the French Government, and which on the anniversary day will be recrossing seas that might not have been free if the issue had been decided differently at the Marne.

The art of war never underwent greater tactical changes than it did in the century and a quarter that intervened between the breech-loaders of Yorktown and the taxicabs of the Ourcq, but two great underlying facts did not change. In each case the better fighter won—and the right prevailed.

## Generosity or Justice?

**C**ONGRESSMAN MONDELL, floor leader of the House, recently delivered a speech in which he referred to the Government's "generosity" toward wounded and disabled veterans.

Generosity, indeed! If fulfilment of an obligation, payment of a debt, granting of justice may be considered generosity, then possibly Representative Mondell's use of the term might seem less unfortunate. But it is not generous to discharge a debt; it is only right and just.

Mr. Mondell's use of the word, however, is an index to the whole mistaken policy of Congress in dealing with the rights of ex-service men. Congress instinctively thinks of itself as "generous" whenever it passes any legislation in the interests of veterans, when it should regard the discharge of any governmental obligation as its humble privilege. It persists in thinking of hospitals for soldiers in terms of charity. What a travesty—Congressmen talking of generosity toward legless and armless men and men otherwise helpless!

That is how Congress thinks and talks. How does Congress act? Well, consider what happened when the Senate

sent back to the House a recommendation that the maximum monthly allowance for a nurse or an attendant for a helpless veteran be increased from \$20 to \$50 a month where circumstances required the larger sum. The House refused to sanction the increase, refused to do so in the name of economy. What representative if he were confined to a wheel chair would hope to be able to obtain an attendant for \$20 a month? Yet the House of Representatives votes that a hopelessly disabled veteran shall have \$5 a week with which to pay his nurse or attendant. No wonder that Representatives Lineberger and Fish, ex-service men themselves, voted "no" on the Sweet Bill in order that they might record their protest against such piddling penny-pinching.

The whole trouble is that Congress thinks in terms of "generosity" instead of in terms of justice.

## A New Editorial Recruit

**O**F especial interest to members of the Legion is the recent change in the status of the *Army and Navy Journal*, for fifty-eight years virtually the official publication of the services. The new president and editor, Brig.-Gen. Henry J. Reilly, Illinois National Guard, a prominent Legionnaire, combines qualities which bespeak his unquestioned eligibility for the editorship. Son of a captain of the regular forces who fell on the walls of Peking, grandson on the maternal side of a chief engineer of the Navy who was wounded beside Farragut at Mobile Bay, himself a graduate of West Point, commander of one of the Rainbow's infantry brigades in the Argonne, and practical newspaper man, General Reilly is the logical man to sustain for the *Journal* the place it has occupied in the estimation of the Army and Navy since the tumultuous days of '63. C. R. Baines, manager of THE AMERICAN LEGION WEEKLY, will become vice-president and business manager of the *Journal*, but will remain with the official organ of the Legion through the Third National Convention at Kansas City.

## Give a Thought

**A** MAN can exist with very little thinking. And he can remain stationary in spite of a lot of thinking if that thinking happens to be basically faulty. Most people in thinking are like prospectors. They keep restlessly and endlessly on, tapping at the rocks of ideas and sifting the sands of inspiration. Mostly they encounter unprofitable workings, but now and again they come to the glitter of precious promise. They split an idea and find triumphantly a vein of rich ore. Or they strike deep with thought into the sands of inspiration and come upon nuggets and flakes of gold which repay them for years of unrewarded mental tramping.

And thinking is always a habit. A man may have a stay-at-home mind or an intellect that jumps over fences and out of windows. The stay-at-home mind is apt to give the least trouble, to vex the body least. The venturesome mind leads the body into all sorts of trials and tests, but it is the mind that gives the world worth-while achievements.

Every man decides for himself whether he will coop up his mind in a cage and feed it through the bars or whether he will give it the freedom that is necessary for his own development.

## For the Common Good

**W**ITH the avowed aspirations of the American Federation of Labor to make this a better country to live in, as with every other organization working for a better Americanism, The American Legion finds itself in sympathy. The Legion will extend a sincere welcome to the representatives the A. F. of L. will send to the Legion's National Convention this fall to return the greetings the Legion extended at the last A. F. of L. convention.

The necessity exists for a closer understanding between the representative groups in American life, and the Legion hopes that in exchanging views with the American Federation of Labor it is opening the way to co-operation in the realization of professed ideals common to both organizations and setting the country an example of teamwork for the common welfare.

# THE VOICE OF THE LEGION

The Editors disclaim responsibility for statements made in this department. Because of space demands, letters are subject to abridgement.

## Paying It Back

*To the Editor:* I arrived home the latter part of July, 1919. I got a job on August 4. I received from Massachusetts \$100, in addition to \$10 a month from July, 1917, to January, 1918. Three of us, two buddies and myself, found we had about \$700 from our state compensation and our \$60 Federal discharge bonuses. We pooled it and started a manufacturing plant. We have just started our second year at maximum capacity.

Last year we paid the State \$32 in taxes, a little less than 5 percent. This year in all probability we will pay the state and Federal business income taxes amounting to 12 percent interest on their \$700 perpetual loan to us.

If Uncle Sam were to arrange an adjusted compensation payment of, say, \$300 for each of us, we will guarantee to return 50 percent of it within the next two years—or join the Army again and work it out in monthly installments. Ever look at it in this way?—BAY STATER, *Haverhill, Mass.*

## Terribly Guilty

*To the Editor:* I received \$225 from Minnesota, representing \$15 a month for my period of service. I was fortunate enough to get back my pre-war position, but I found out that my fifteen months' absence had set me back considerably financially. Did I squander my compensation or spend it extravagantly? Use your own judgment, anti-compensationist! If getting married and using your state compensation to start in housekeeping is squandering, I'm guilty.—C. J. DANIELSON, *Ismay, Mont.*

## Assets and Liabilities

*To the Editor:* I received a compensation check from the State of Michigan for \$300 on August 6, 1921. I had bought some seven percent preferred stock on the partial payment plan and I used \$200 of the compensation money for that purpose. The other \$100 I have paid back to the Government for converted insurance. I had been wondering where that insurance money was to come from this year, and with debts of \$3,000 on my hands the state payment was a welcome help. Was it extravagantly spent or will it pass the censorship of the antis?—H. M. KREBS, *East Lansing, Mich.*

## A Home Saved

*To the Editor:* I am one of the veterans who have received compensation from the State of Washington. I received \$285, of which I paid a part of a past-due mortgage upon a home that I bought when I returned from France. It saved my equity in my home.—COMRADE, *Coulee City, Wash.*

## Disabled, but a Bondholder

*To the Editor:* I received the limit of \$100 granted by the State of New Jersey. The day I received the check I went to the cashier of our bank and ordered two \$50 Fourth ¼ Liberty Bonds. Since I am married, have a child and am fully dependent upon the compensation I receive as a totally disabled ex-service man, you will readily understand that I don't buy bonds every day. I am looking ahead to the days when I will no longer be disabled and may need something to back me. I might say further that if ex-service men are ever paid compensation by the Federal Government on the Legion's plan, I will very recklessly squander mine by applying for the Adjusted Service Certificates, if they are what they seem to be. If not, I will take cash and spend it in the same reckless

manner in which I threw away my state money; namely, buying bonds for a rainy day.—FRANCIS H. BENT, JR., *Farmingdale, N. J.*

## A Spendthrift Nurse

*To the Editor:* I received \$100 from Massachusetts. As to whether it was wasted, I am willing to let the facts speak for themselves.

I am a trained nurse. I was graduated two months before entering service. I had not earned any money before enlisting so I borrowed \$100 from my brother, who was then overseas, to cover my expenses while in New York awaiting mobilization. I allowed \$30 a month to my mother, with which she replaced the money I had borrowed and bought a \$50 Liberty Bond. In the meantime our home had been broken up when my brother and I were both over-

## Squanderers Ho!

**I**N the Voice of the Legion in the August 12th issue of this magazine a letter was published from an Indianapolis buddy asking fellow Legionnaires who have received State compensation to write in and tell how their payments had been "extravagantly spent." The response was immediate. The profligates and spendthrifts of the fifteen compensation-paying States have been shameless in their confessions of squandering and waste. On this page are published some of the earliest letters received. Fellow squanderers, you tell 'em!

seas, with my mother living with a married sister. When I was discharged from the Army Nurse Corps, I spent what little cash I had saved and my \$60 bonus getting our home together once more, my brother still being in France.

When I received the \$100 compensation from Massachusetts it was badly needed for uniforms and clothes or private nursing. In March of this year I had a severe infection and an operation was necessary. The doctors informed me that the infection was the after-effect of another infection I had in France following an attack of influenza. I have not been able to nurse since the operation. In June I applied for a temporary disability rating from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, but I have not heard from the application aside from a request for further proof that my present disability was caused by the infection contracted in the service. The \$100 paid me by Massachusetts has been a bulwark of defense in my efforts to get back under my handicap.—A. E. C. (*Ex-Base Hospital 51, Toul*), *Buffalo, N. Y.*

## A Stake in Something

*To the Editor:* I was a buck private for twenty-two months, during which my savings were nothing, of course. The State of Wisconsin paid us \$10 for each month of service, so I received \$220. I took this amount and added to it some more money which I was lucky enough to have saved before the war and deposited the whole in a bank the day after I received my compensation payment. Eventually I invested the money in Victory Bonds. Being fortunate enough to get a position two weeks after being discharged, I was not in urgent need of the state compensation at the

time I received it, but the feeling that came from having that little nest egg has been an important factor in all my plans. It bucks a man up to know he has a stake in something.—W. J. HOEFS, *Adjutant, John E. Miller Post, Beaver Dam, Wis.*

## Keep the Home Fires Burning

*To the Editor:* I served six months and received \$15 a month. I bought a range for my wife and told the dealer I could pay for it as soon as I received my Minnesota state compensation, payments having already been started. Then the State ran out of funds and I had to wait until the next session of the Legislature met, six months later. I certainly didn't spend my compensation foolishly, and I had it spent six months before it came.—C. E. K., *Blue Earth, Minn.*

## Issue Stuff Replaced

*To the Editor:* I received \$100 from Massachusetts. Coming out of the Army in need of complete new equipment for civilian life, the sum soon disappeared for actual necessities. If a single man did not find it necessary to look around for ways to spend his compensation for needed things, how about my married comrades who had their families to care for while they were getting back on their feet?—ARTHUR M. CHUTE, *Rockland Post, Rockland, Mass.*

## All Set to Build

*To the Editor:* I received my check for \$100 under the New Jersey compensation law while I was temporarily out of work. I cashed it at the bank, kept \$25 for my current needs and deposited the other \$75 in the bank. A few weeks ago I saw a chance to buy a lot, 50 by 150 feet, on the installment plan after making a first payment. I drew \$50 out of the bank as first payment and expect to earn enough money to keep up my payments. Meanwhile the remaining \$25 of my compensation money is a reserve against a rainy day. Now if we could only get Federal compensation I could see my way clear to build my own home by some close financing and economical living.—NELDEN M. SHAFFER, *Charles A. Meyers Post, Newton, N. J.*

## Liberty Bond, Suit, Overcoat

*To the Editor:* Of my \$60 discharge bonus, I sent \$30 home and used the other \$30 to pay up the balance due on a Liberty Bond. I received \$100 compensation from Massachusetts and paid \$105 for a suit of clothes and an overcoat so as to get away from O. D.'s and my old hand-me-downs.—L. C. LINDLEY, *Van Deusenville, Mass.*

## His Reserve Fund

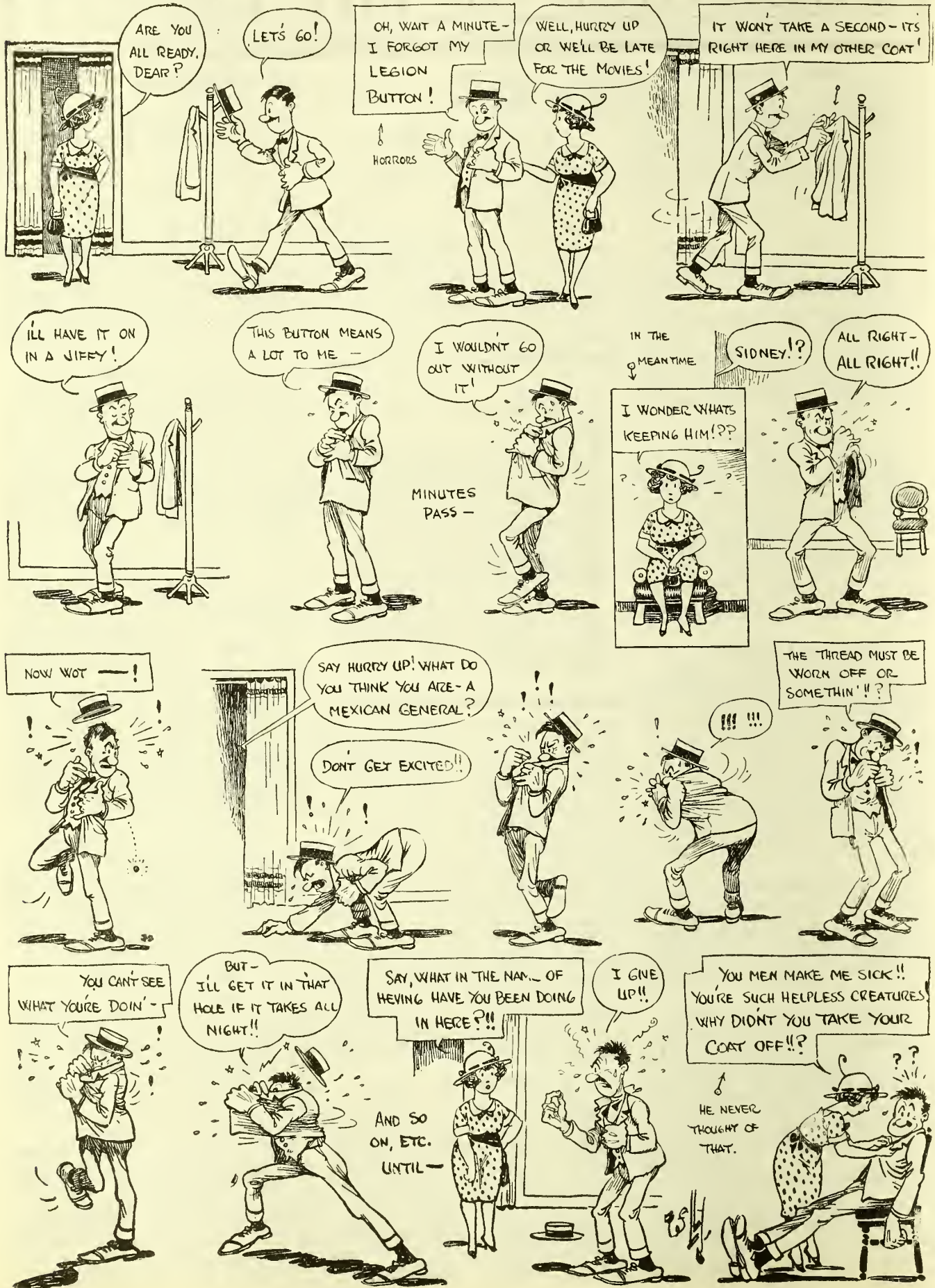
*To the Editor:* My state compensation payment has constituted my reserve fund. I drew \$100 from Massachusetts in the summer of 1919 and I placed it in a savings bank, where it has been earning five percent ever since. I have had uses for it, but I am sticking to my original purpose.—ABRAHAM PELHI, *Williamsburg, Mass.*

## Funding a Third Party

*To the Editor:* My little two hundred bucks under the Minnesota compensation law reached me at a time when the stork was expected in my home with no funds in reserve for the entertainment committee. If anybody thinks that money was squandered, let him pay me a visit and change his mind. Our household contains three of the biggest boosters for Minnesota that ever breathed the ozone of the State of ten thousand lakes.—H. B., *Duluth, Minn.*

# Button, Button

By Wallgren



# BURSTS AND DUDS

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## Post-Mortem

"Ya-as," drawled Two-Gun Steve, of Tombstone, Ariz. "My cousin Pete was a purty healthy sort o' feller, but he died of over-attention."  
"My goodness!" ejaculated the tender-foot. "I never heard of that complaint."  
"Purty common round these diggin's. Too many people noticed that he was stealin' hosses."

## Facts Is Facts

A rose by any other name  
Would smell as sweet. And that is  
The reason hash is much the same  
As croquettes or as patties.

## The Diplomat

"No, I shall marry only a brave man," said the maiden firmly.  
"But you must admit that it takes bravery for a poor mutt like me to propose to such a beautiful and talented girl," countered the suitor.  
So they lived happily, etc.

## Not a Ghost of a Name

Prospect: "I hear that house has a shady reputation."  
Real Estate Dealer: "Yes, it's haunted."

## A Colorful Compliment

A celebrated white preacher had been engaged to address the congregation of a little negro church and was being introduced by the very nervous colored pastor. "Sistern an' bredren," he began. "It affords me the extremest pleasuah to introduce de speaker of de evenin'. I wants to explain, dat while his skin ain't de same color as de odders heah, I assures you his heart is as black as any of yourn."

## Limited Visibility

Alice: "Gladys came back from the beach with her arms all tanned."  
Virginia: "How old-fashioned!"

## Desire Fulfilled

Man wants but little here below—  
He's willing to admit it.  
If Uncle Sam keeps taxing him  
He's pretty sure to git it.

## Chance of a Lifetime

The occupants of the parlor car of the Limited were startled by the abrupt entrance of two masked bandits.  
"T'row up yer hands," commanded the bigger of the two. "We're gonna rob all the gents and kiss all the gals."  
"No, pardner," remonstrated the smaller one gallantly. "We'll rob the gents but we'll leave the ladies alone."  
"Mind your own business, young fellow," snapped a female passenger of uncertain age. "The big man is robbing this train."

## Identity Doubtful

The party had been circumventing the Eighteenth Amendment. Stopping in front of a residence, one of them pulled the doorbell uncertainly. A window was thrown open above.  
"Mishish Brown," called up the spokesman, "woujoo mind comin' down and pickin' out Mishter Brown from ush? Those that aren't him wanten go home."

## From Africa

The "Greatest Show on Earth"—one of them—was touring Georgia and having trouble with its small but select menagerie. Therefore the management of the show ad-



"Willard, get up! There's a burglar downstairs!"  
"You go—he'll think twice before he strikes a woman."

vertised for an assistant animal trainer. A husky colored gentleman applied, was accepted and went to work.

When the time came to feed the animals, though, his nerve faltered, especially when he was obliged to open the lion's cage.

"Oh, Lawd!" he prayed, "as yo' was wid Dan'l in de lion's den, so be wid me now."

Whereupon a voice issued from the king of beasts:

"Nebbah mind de Lord and Dan'l, big boy. Dis yere lion's yo' own countryman. Jes' hustle wid dat chow."

## Military Bud

Rookie: "Why do you call me the flower of the outfit?"  
Top: "Because you're such a blooming idiot."

## Girls, Behave!

Mae: "Harold says he isn't good enough for me."  
Hallie: "How can he ever expect to get anywhere when he's always running himself into the ground?"

## Beyond Conception

"George said if I refused to marry him he would take to drink."  
"Well?"  
"I told him if he was wealthy enough for that I might reconsider my refusal."

## Too Much

She: "Have I too much rouge on my face?"  
He: "Not more than the other girls."  
She: "Gracious! I'll rub some off."

## Terrible, Terrible!

Simple: "I got out of bed to attend the Legion meeting last night."  
Soldat: "From pillow to post, eh?"

## "He Will Learn Something—"

The following recently appeared in a Chicago newspaper's advertising columns: "If Wilbur Blank, who deserted his wife and babe twenty years ago, will return, said babe will knock his block off."

## Sufficient

"Napoleon was a wonderful man. History tells us he got along with only four hours of sleep a day."  
"Oh, well," yawned the laziest man in the

village. "Four hours a day would do me, I guess, if people wouldn't disturb me at night."

## Guaranteed

The prospective home-builder surveyed the pleasant prospect and asked: "Is this land rich?"  
"It ought to be," sighed the gentleman farmer. "I've put all the money I had into it."

## Business Is Business

Poet: "My wife said this last poem of mine caused her heart to miss a beat."  
Editor: "Rejected. We don't want anything that will interfere with our circulation."

## In a Manner of Speaking

"Your husband has to do the lion's share of work in his office."  
"Perhaps," reflected the wife sadly, "that's what makes him act like the king of beasts at home."

## Efficiency

A budget for living on \$1.50 a day:

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|-------------------|--------|
| Gasoline .....    | .56    |
| Oil .....         | .05    |
| Tire upkeep ..... | .12    |
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| Yeast .....       | .04    |
| Corks .....       | .02    |
| Breakage .....    | .32    |
| Misc. ....        | .17    |
| Total .....       | \$1.50 |

## Financial Note

There has been some agitation for a new motto for coins. We offer one to suit all classes:  
"Abide With Me."

## When the Millennium Arrives

Traveling Salesman: "I must be very economical; the house is paying all my expenses."  
Hubby: "No, boys, can't play poker to-night. My wife's out of town."  
At the Woman's Club: "But, dearie, we musn't talk about her behind her back."

## Brothers

"I always take pains with my work."  
"Shake. It gives me one too."

## At the Oil Fields

"How big a producer is your new gusher?"  
"Oh, he sometimes sells \$10,000 worth of stock in a day."

## Pray for Rain

Alice: "Why don't you wear your new silk stockings?"  
Virginia: "I'm saving them for a rainy day."

## Originality

"Our new minister is just wonderful. He brings things home to you that you never saw before."  
"Huh! I've got a laundryman who does the very same thing."

## Volstead!

A street car clipped three of his digits. In the drug store, with quivering knees, He says to the clerk, while he nervously fidgets,  
"Just pour me out three fingers, please."

# The Nemesis of the Slacker Lists

What the Government Has Accomplished in Making Public the Names of the Men Who Laughed at the Selective Service Law

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**T**HE publication of the slacker lists, bearing the names of 155,000 Americans charged with deserting from the World War draft, is about done.

Measured by the actual number of the guilty so far brought to trial and convicted and the actual number of the innocent cleared of the stigma of draft desertion, a superficial judgment would say that the publication of the slacker lists has been largely a fizzle, that the mountains have been in travail and brought forth a mouse. Early last month, for example, with 100,000 of the 155,000 names published, only 800 slackers had been arrested, only 500 tried and only 300 convicted; and at the same time the names of only 146 had been removed from the lists by the War Department as having been wrongly accused of desertion.

These are meagre results silhouetted against the dark background of 155,000 potentialities, and meagre indeed they would stamp the accomplishments of the drive against the slacker if they and they alone were to be taken into account. To say in the face of them that the publication of the slacker lists has accomplished its principal objectives, has been eminently worth while, is to overlook the small figures and see the big facts. The publication of the slacker lists has made every person guilty of draft desertion either a prisoner, or a refugee from justice, and has given a chance to all the innocent to set their records clear.

This latter feature is of conspicuous importance, though it has naturally not made a very favorable impression on the man wrongly accused of slacking. But it is of far greater benefit to the man wrongly accused to have his name cleared now than to have the error persist undiscovered, leaving him to be informed of it, say, when the Adjusted Compensation Bill has become law. The error once cleared, the man's status as a bona-fide veteran is proved. Had the slacker lists not been published, the mistakes would have been there just the same. They would not have come to light, however, until the veteran tried to avail himself of some piece of beneficial legislation—and then they would have come to light with a vengeance. And the farther removed these errors grow in point of time from the man's actual service, the harder they will be to refute.

The publication of the slacker lists began the first week in May. There were 4,250 lists, representing as many draft board districts and containing an average of 36 names each. Since the publication of the lists started, they have appeared at a rate of approximately 200 a week.

Fear of libel, it is believed, prevented many newspapers from printing the lists and caused many to adopt a

caustic and unfriendly position toward their publication. There have been several suits for libel brought against newspapers by men claiming to have been wronged by the publication of their names, but in the sole case where a decision has been handed down, that of Charles J. Hyman of New York City, against the New York World, Justice William P. Burr of the New York Supreme Court held that the publication

sition on the publication of the slacker lists and has maintained it with dignity, force and effectiveness."

Just how much truth there was in all this propaganda that nearly upset the Government's publication plans can be gauged from the fact that with two-thirds of the names published, the War Department had removed only 146 names from the lists as having been included erroneously. Of the 146 names removed, the most represented cases where there had been a change of residence during the period of the draft without notification of the draft board. Next greatest in number came those cases where names were spelled differently in registering for the draft and in enlisting. There were even a few changes of name. Then came a number of cases of men who enlisted in foreign services and several of men who died without the information's being checked on their draft records.

There have been few sensational features incident to the publication of the lists. Among the 800 slackers arrested were a few young men of local prominence, but hardly any of statewide or national interest. Lynn Gale, who exiled himself to Mexico, conducted there during the war a radical paper and was finally deported back to this country, is perhaps the most notorious person among the accused slackers—always excepting, of course, Mr. Bergdoll.

Punishment for the draft deserters found guilty may not exceed the peacetime limit for such an offense, which is twelve months' imprisonment. The sentences so far imposed range from six to twelve months.

The failure of the War Department's anti-slacker crusade to produce more arrests and convictions is due largely to the small number of its personnel available for ferreting out the slacker, its inability to pay the regular \$50 reward for information leading to arrest and conviction of each slacker and the indifference of the general public and public officials. The Secretary of War asked Congress for \$200,000 in the last Army Appropriation Act with which to meet this situation financially. The Senate cut the figure to \$100,000. The House of Representatives cut it to zero.

The Government's efforts to clean up the draft debris will not cease with the publication of the last of the 155,000 names on the slacker lists. The statute of limitation does not apply with reference to draft deserters. The War Department can and will continue to arrest, try and convict for the next fifty years if necessary. It will also continue equally as hard to clear the records of all innocently accused.

As the months and the years wear on, our militant slackers will grow less and less militant as they find that the publication of their names on the slacker lists was not altogether a little joke.

## You Tell Him

**D**OES your buddy get THE AMERICAN LEGION WEEKLY? If he doesn't, it's either because he doesn't belong to The American Legion or because his membership assessment has not yet been forwarded to National Headquarters. If he's not a member, that's your fault; if he is a member, but still doesn't get his weekly copy, that's a post official's fault, and you should hunt down the P. O. and tell him about it.

of the lists was privileged, and assessed Hyman the costs of the action.

From the start a great hue and cry, partially, at least, ascribable to the activity of the slackers themselves, was raised against the searchlight of publicity thrown on the whole ugly business. Persistent efforts have been made to convince public opinion that the War Department's lists were so full of errors that no dependence at all was to be placed in them, that they were so replete with the names of men who served honorably that their publication could in no sense be construed as branding those who really slacked. In numerous instances little nests of slackers have been found busied about a coldly calculative propaganda to keep themselves and their kind out of the pillory of public opinion. According to them, all of the 155,000 are heroes, some of them dead, others wearing Congressional Medals of Honor.

"So pernicious and persistent was this propaganda," the Adjutant General of the Army, Maj. Gen. Peter C. Harris, recently declared, "that had it not been for the influence, prestige and support of The American Legion, the Secretary of War might have found it absolutely necessary to stop the publication of the slacker lists soon after that publication began. Throughout the whole affair, American Legion departments, posts and members have been of the greatest service and help. They have not only bolstered up public opinion where it was weak and wobbly, but have rendered an immense practical assistance in supplying information for the innocent and against the guilty. The Legion took the patriotic and right po-



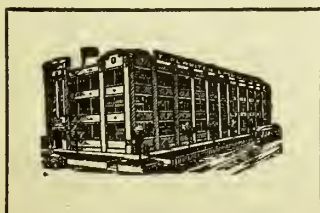
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# Department Convention Proceedings

## Summaries of Action Taken and Recommendations Made by the State Gatherings Now Being Held Throughout the Country

IN department conventions being held throughout the country Legionnaires are finding expression for opinions upon matters affecting the Legion and the veteran. Below is summarized the action taken by several of the conventions already held on the more important problems of nationwide interest. The proceedings of other conventions will be summarized in later issues of this magazine. The department conventions are important not only because they transact the business of their States and express the opinions of the Legionnaires of those States, but because out of the action of the state conventions will crystallize the decisions which will be made upon national questions at the Third National Convention of the Legion at Kansas City. Worthy of note is the fact that all of the conventions mentioned below which were held subsequent to the recommitment of the Legion's Adjusted Compensation Bill to the Senate Finance Committee declared unequivocally in favor of the passage of that measure. The present month will see the greatest activity in department conventions, with 22 scheduled. Iowa, Kentucky and Virginia conventions are now under way. The convention of the Department of France is also being held, and members of the Legion party now concluding the official visit to France will probably be able to attend the closing sessions of the Paris gathering. Four conventions are scheduled for October, with that of Colorado, the 17th and 18th, last on the list and closest to the National Convention to open at Kansas City the last day of the month. The Michigan department convention, which was to be held at Kalamazoo, September 6th and 7th, has been postponed until September 19th and 20th to permit attendance by the National and State Commanders.

### Alaska

**ALIENS:** Approved action of California in 1920 favoring following action toward Orientals: 1, cancellation of "gentlemen's agreement" with Japan; 2, exclusion of picture brides; 3, exclusion of Japanese immigrants; 4, confirmation and legalization of policy that Asiatics be barred from citizenship forever; 5, amendment to United States Constitution providing exclusion from citizenship of children of ineligible parents.

**COMPENSATION:** Endorsed Soldiers' Land Bonus Bill before Alaskan Territorial Legislature, requesting immediate enactment without amendment.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Asked Congress to pass Sweet Bill, Wason Bill, Stevenson Bill and Kenyon-Fess Bill.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Suggested to National Convention assessment of \$2 per member in addition to other dues, \$1 to create a sinking fund for relief of needy Legionnaires at end of 20 years; \$1 for immediate use of National Treasury in similar relief.

### Florida

**AMERICANIZATION:** State Legislature asked to pass appropriation bill for University of the State of Florida. Alarm expressed at "tendency exhibited of reducing to parsimony the salaries of the teaching force at Gainesville."

**COMPENSATION:** Favored state compensation bill.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Urged immediate passage of Sweet Bill, Kenyon Bill and others on Legion program. State training and hospitalization of disabled ex-service men and women favored.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Favored complete program of American Legion for benefit of disabled veterans.

**MILITARY:** Urged recognition be given women who served under Surgeon General

of the Army who were virtually enlisted by reason of oath of office. Urged that these women be granted privileges which have been given Army nurses and others in service in similar status.

**RED CROSS:** Rules were waived to permit passing a resolution endorsing Red Cross work in Florida, urging Legion cooperation with Red Cross, asking posts to assist in Red Cross drives for funds.

**SLACKERS AND SEDITION:** Called for apprehension and punishment of draft evaders throughout the country. Protested against "granting unusual privileges to Eugene V. Debs or to others serving imprisonment term for the same or similar offenses."

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Voted to assess each post ten percent of net profits on post entertainments except such entertainments as are for erection of permanent post buildings, when assessment will be limited to five percent. These levies to be used for maintenance of department headquarters.

### Georgia

**COMPENSATION:** Endorsed adjusted compensation bill pledging support to secure immediate enactment of the bill.

**EMPLOYMENT:** Endorsed program of



Skating is poor just now  
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get-a-member campaign some  
time between now and October  
31st—the tooter the sweeter.

Federal Board for Vocational Education in employing American Legion men in the State to help clean up claims and applications.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Approved decentralization of aid to disabled veterans, establishing three state officials to assist in relief work. Approved Sweet Bill.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Approved state absentee-voters' law. Approved law for recording discharge certificate in county of which veteran is resident.

**MILITARY:** Endorsed War Department for building up reserve force. Endorsed citizen military training.

### Maine

**COMPENSATION:** Endorsed unequivocally the Adjusted Compensation Bill, urging Maine Senators and Congressmen to work for its enactment, specifying that it is "no gratuity."

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Endorsed legislation to care for disabled veterans, denouncing lack of care for these men as a "stain upon the honor of our country." Endorsed state public health program.

**POST AND DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES:** Called

on department commander to arrange three conferences with post commanders and adjutants during the ensuing year for exchange of views on Legion needs and procedure.

**SLACKERS:** Asked the Government to demand person of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll. Upheld publication of slacker lists, requesting Maine newspapers to publish such lists, arguing that injustice to men whose names are wrongfully published can best be repaired by correction after publication.

### Minnesota

**ALIENS:** Urged enforcement of Mongolian exclusion laws on Pacific Coast.

**AMERICANIZATION:** Denounced activities of ultra-radical teachers and professors in public and parochial schools. Urged posts to increase Americanization efforts. Condemned promiscuous wearing of United States uniforms.

**COMPENSATION:** Reiterated demand for adjusted compensation as "moral obligation of Government." Recommended broader powers for state compensation board of review for purpose of paying claims with least delay.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Indorsed Sweet Bill. Urged removal of inefficient and unjust officials in Federal aid bureaus. Recommended extension of maximum sick leave for vocational training students from 60 to 180 days. Demanded elimination of red tape in government dealings with ex-service men.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Recommended abolition of war tax on veteran amusements. Demanded strict enforcement of state soldiers' preference act. Asked legalization of boxing. Urged individual hearings for applicants under state soldiers' preference act. Asked law to give communities power to grant or refuse licenses to former service men as peddlers. Urged state commission for relief of relatives of disabled and dead veterans.

**POST AND DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES:** Recommended formation of department athletic board to encourage post athletics.

**SLACKERS AND SEDITION:** Condemned pardon, clemency or maudlin sympathy for persons convicted of offenses against the Government during the war.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Ordered creation of permanent department board to get action in government dealings with service men. Instructed department headquarters to prorate dues from July 1, charging fifty cents for remainder of year. Urged pro-rating of national dues by national headquarters.

### Montana

**COMPENSATION:** Recommended passing of adjusted compensation law by the people of Montana. Urged rating of compensation cases in State of which claimant is resident, requiring insurance officials to state definitely what added evidence is needed in cases of claims for disability.

**CONSTITUTION:** Urged The American Legion to help formation of an international organization to include all ex-service men of the United States and Allied forces during the World War.

**EMPLOYMENT:** Urged employers in general, especially public officials, to give preference of appointment to trained disabled ex-service men. Urged state bureau to gather information about state, Federal, county and municipal appointive offices for the benefit of ex-service men.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Urged that the Red Cross be compelled to restore certain funds for the benefit of war veterans to the uses for which they were originally intended, and that the National Red Cross be investigated for its use of funds received for veterans. Urged in-

vestigation of charges of superfluous use of drugs and narcotics in certain hospitals of Minneapolis. Urged that disability itself be taken as prima facie evidence that veteran is entitled to Federal aid, except where fraud is proved. Urged opportunity for reinstatement of term insurance taken during war at any time within five years of discharge of veteran. Denounced dismissal of men from hospitals for less than ten percent disability until more complete investigation has been made.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Requested state civil service preference law for ex-service men.

**POST ACTIVITIES:** Urged use of ceremonial badges by uniformed Legionnaires.

**SLACKERS:** Favored publication of slacker lists after investigation in local districts by draft boards, Legion and Red Cross.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Provided for the department to pay for expenses in connection with conventions, especially for stenographic and similar work.

### Oregon

**ALIENS:** Recommended action "by treaty or otherwise" to exclude Orientals from United States and from ownership of real property in United States. Denounced employment of aliens on public works. Suggested that the National Convention request Congressional legislation to forbid naturalization of children of aliens merely because such children are born on American soil. Condemned exhibition in America of German and Austrian motion picture films with intent to justify position of Central Powers in the World War. Condemned "unpatriotic propaganda and activities of the Federation of German-Speaking Catholic Societies in the State of Oregon," requesting refusal to naturalize the personnel of such organizations.

**LAND SETTLEMENT:** Opposed grants by the United States Government to individuals and corporations of leases on lands if such leases permit flooding of territories where preferential settlement rights of entry might be given ex-service men, requesting reclamation of publicly owned lands before any expenditures be made for privately owned lands.

**SLACKERS AND SEDITION:** Demanded retrial of Henry J. Albers for alleged seditious and treasonable utterances.

### Washington

**AMERICANIZATION:** Asked organization of Junior American League in department. Asked capital and labor to join for advancement of American living standards. Condemned employers for reducing wages below American standards and hiring aliens while ex-service men are unemployed. Urged propaganda for better appreciation of Memorial Day, condemning commercialization of the day, particularly Indianapolis automobiles races on that day.

**COMPENSATION:** Opposed recommitment of Adjusted Compensation Bill by Congress; condemned Senator Poindexter's vote for recommitment; thanked Senator Jones for vote against recommitment.

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:** Recommended change in National Constitution to make Allied veterans who become American citizens eligible for Legion membership.

**HOSPITALIZATION AND INSURANCE:** Urged immediate adoption of Sweet Bill.

**LAND SETTLEMENT:** Authorized state land-settlement committee, urging members to use state settlement law to utmost, making best possible showing.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Pledged support to national program, urging post support also.

**MILITARY:** Urged war service credits for National Guard, guard appointments to be from World War veterans. Asked 25-years' retirement law for enlisted men in Army. Endorsed Citizens' Military Training Camps, asking post support for them. Favored organized reserve scheme.

**POST ACTIVITIES:** Recommended Department bulletin service on post activities; recommended field representatives; recommended memorializing of highways, streets, parks, etc., for war heroes.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Adopted department dues of 75 cents.

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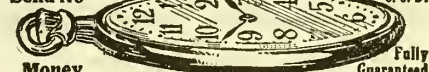
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adorn them with some patriotic device. A few days after the distribution of the blanks a Legionnaire can walk into a school and collect information that will make splendid groundwork for a membership drive.

The Mentally Disabled Buddy

NEURO-PSYCHIATRISTS have estimated that more than 5,000 cases of mental disease are developing yearly which are directly traceable to the service. It is incumbent upon the Legion to establish special machinery to help these men. National Headquarters suggests that posts throughout the country appoint boards of inquiry to look

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## TREMENDOUS CROWD WILL BE IN BLUEFIELD FOR CELEBRATION

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the last subjects discussed by the National Commander before his departure for France. Field representatives have been authorized to audit accounts throughout the country in an effort to check up on delinquent posts. Post adjutants and finance officers owe it to themselves as well as new members to see that national and local membership lists coincide before such an audit is made.

School Bells and Membership

LEGIONNAIRES in charge of membership drives in thinly-settled communities often have difficulty locating their customers. A house-to-house canvass should generally furnish a perfect list of eligible Legionnaires, but such a scheme is hard to work back in the country where a small village may be Legion headquarters for hundreds of square miles. Several Missouri posts have enlisted school children in their search for eligibles.

Their plan ought to be applicable in many other parts of the country as soon as school re-opens. Because of natural pride in their acquaintanceship among World War veterans, pupils have compiled mailing lists containing practically complete data regarding every former soldier, sailor and marine in their districts.

Why not make arrangements now so that blanks may be passed out as soon as schools in your own neighborhood re-convene? Get the consent of the school board and the cooperation of the teachers. Have the blanks neatly printed. It may be advisable to

into mental cases, particularly where an ex-service man believed to be suffering from mental disease has run afoul of the law.

The need for boards of this type has been felt even outside the Legion, as is evidenced by a letter which Judge Dan B. Cull of the Court of Common Pleas of Cuyahoga County, O. (Cleveland), recently sent to Cuyahoga County Council of The American Legion.

"Cases which concern discharged and disabled overseas veterans which come before the courts frequently present peculiar problems, which it seems to me should be the subject of some study and action by your organization," the letter states.

"As a typical instance, I cite the case of one Peters, who entered a plea of guilty of perjury in my court room today. Peters claims to have been overseas, to have been gassed, and to have suffered injury to his foot by shrapnel fire. It was testified by relatives that since his return from service he has not been the same mentally as he was before entering the service. The case was submitted to me merely upon the plea of guilty. I was obliged to sentence the man to the penitentiary, but I have marked the case to be held for ten days in order that some investigation may be made. The prisoner will be in the county jail during this time and I would ask that you get into touch with him, and perhaps his relatives, and then confer with me about the matter.

"The perjury grew out of a statement by him to the probate court that he was

not married, when as a matter of fact he was. I am not saying that he may not be mentally strong enough to commit the offence of perjury; nevertheless, after having passed sentence upon him, some question arises in my mind, and I know of no place to turn to secure a friendly interest in the prisoner unless it is to your organization. Whether he is guilty or not guilty, it appears to me that his sacrifice for his country's sake would justify something being done to help him, inasmuch as the disabled veteran seems generally to be getting the worst of it.

"If an attorney defends upon the ground of insanity, or asks, under the statutes, for a special jury to inquire into the man's sanity, the court would be obliged, upon the return of a verdict of insane, to commit the man to a State Hospital for the Criminal Insane, there to remain until restored to sanity, and then to face the criminal charge. Manifestly this would not result in any particular benefit to the prisoner.

"What I aim at is the establishment of some sort of routine attention by the Legion to assist in bringing to bear upon disabled veterans who get into trouble an influence in addition to any correctional treatment which may be necessary. It is possible, for instance, in this case, that a psychiatrist may find the prisoner is a subject for correctional treatment, yet at the same time may conclude that he needs additional treatment of a medical or other nature. This other treatment might or might not be given him, as a prisoner, in the regular course of things, but I feel quite sure that it would certainly be provided were the Legion to ask state authorities to provide it."

In suggesting the appointment of post boards of inquiry to investigate cases of which the above instance is typical, National Headquarters urges that whenever a man claiming to have a war record is arrested his status be investigated immediately. If he is an ex-service man, and if he is deserving of help from his former buddies, that help should be given to the limit of the investigating post's ability. From such investigations the departments should be able to gain information of direct assistance to them in recommending remedial legislation. Experts in medical jurisprudence have said that most state laws concerned with the disposition of the insane, criminal and otherwise, are barbarous and obsolete, and entirely inadequate to care properly for those unfortunate who cannot make their voices heard in protest. The Legion is in a position to remedy this condition insofar as it applies to the mentally crippled service man.

#### When a Post's a Post

CHARLES A. PROCTOR, adjutant of Devore-Quinn Post of Matamoras, Pa., offers this sage counsel:

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When each member stands behind the action taken,

It will show the world the post stands for no fakin';

Put your shoulder to the job,  
Every soldier, every gob—  
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When a chance presents itself to help another,

That's the spirit—as a man would to his brother.

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Do it ere the setting sun—  
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AND SAID "Rats."  
AND ROLLED over.  
THEN I heard steps.  
AND IN the light.  
OF A dying moon.  
A WHITE spook rose.  
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BUT DIDN'T feel like.  
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BUT THEN I caught.  
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## THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The purpose of this department is to reflect the national activities of the Women's Auxiliary and to convey suggestions and ideas between units. Contributions should be sent to Miss Pauline Curnick, Secretary, Women's Auxiliary Section of the Organization Division, National Headquarters, The American Legion, Meridian Life Building, Indianapolis, Indiana, who also will answer questions pertaining to the Auxiliary.

### Kansas Reaches Its Objectives

ONLY eight months old, the Kansas Department of the Women's Auxiliary already has achieved, it believes, the three objectives laid down for its first year's work. Organization has been completed; welfare work has been carried on for the benefit of practically every needy ex-service man and woman within the State, and many units in the department have inaugurated a program of civic aid which has made each unit a factor for progress in its community.

The department was organized last January, and its program was laid down by a brand new executive committee. Mrs. Winifred H. Calihan, department president, describes the work in Kansas so far by pointing out the fundamentals on which the department started its program as a realization "that there could be no accomplishment without organization and that there really is strength in numbers if those numbers are properly organized."

"We turned first," she says, "to the organization end of the work. Immediately after the convention and the establishing of our headquarters office, we launched what we chose to call an organization campaign. Executive committee members were held accountable for their respective Congressional districts. One member from each district was made a captain, another a lieutenant, and they were given the privilege of selecting as many top kicks or buck privates as they wished. Organization of new units and local membership drives were carried on under the direction of these officers, either by correspondence or by personal visits. Prizes were offered by the department for the greatest percent of increase in membership within a given time, and will be awarded at the next state convention. While this campaign is now over, membership is being steadily increased through the work of local membership committees appointed by unit presidents.

"The matter really uppermost in the Auxiliary mind has been, of course, the welfare of the disabled ex-service man and woman. Here again we formed a plan and followed it. Our assistance to the disabled has been accomplished through a state hospital committee, aided by a state hospital fund. This committee is made up of officers of Auxiliary units located in those cities where there were hospitals available to ex-service people. It is headed by a woman deeply interested in the welfare of our boys and the department president and secretary are members, ex-officio. Each month a report is made out and sent in to headquarters from each hospital. From these reports, or from special reports filed when necessary, the needs of the local committee are ascertained, and a call is sent from headquarters to units over the State for bath robes, books, fruit, jelly, pajamas, or whatever is needed to keep the men comfortable. When our hospital fund was established, we planned to levy assessments to keep it up, but thus far that has never been necessary. Voluntary contributions have been sufficient to keep a considerable surplus on hand. Some units not adjacent to hospitals have adopted groups of boys for certain periods of time, sending them fruit, magazines, books, cards, letters or anything the boys wanted or could be persuaded to ask for. The flaw in our system is that we have no way of checking up this work accurately, and thus knowing positively that we are missing no one. We have aimed only at

furnishing comforts and entertainment and helping with compensation and vocational troubles, leaving the strictly technical problems, which were beyond our knowledge, to the Legion officers who are trained for that work.

"During the last session of the Legislature, the Auxiliary tried, by means of a legislative committee (three women well acquainted with the workings of such assemblies) and by communications from individual units to their legislators, to assist in getting through some desirable legislation. Our efforts were not a conspicuous success, but without abandoning our former plan, we are loading our guns with new ammunition, preparatory to the next battle.

"A goodly number of units have fallen into the way of doing some community work, but we propose that before the year is over, each unit shall be definitely behind some one or more community projects. To this end we have sent to each unit president a questionnaire, which when properly filled out will give us definite information from her community regarding the following particulars: Sick or disabled ex-service folk in the community, American Legion or Auxiliary club rooms, community rest room, play grounds, city parks, city sanitation, Boy Scout movement, Girl Scouts or Campfire Girls, public library, community observance of national holidays, foreign population, charities, social activities of unit and post. We have dreams of having, later on, in our headquarters office an assistant secretary, who will be not only a social service expert, but a big hearted, far seeing woman, whose expenses to all parts of the State we can pay, and through whose help and influence Auxiliary women will make Kansas a State of model homes and model communities. However, this will come only after we are sure that we have met the immediate needs of all the ex-service people in the State."

The second annual convention of the Women's Auxiliary, Department of Vermont, will be held at Rutland September 6th and 7th.

The Auxiliary unit of Chateau (Mont.) Post gave a play in a local theatre to defray the expenses of its selected delegate to the department convention.

The Women's Auxiliary of Monahan Post of Sioux City, Ia., obtained fifty new members by maintaining booths in four downtown stores.

Every Friday night in the Legion home at Chatham, Mass., a whist party is held. The post and Auxiliary take charge of the affair alternate weeks. A chicken supper served by the Auxiliary was a social and financial success.

"You should have seen Jack smile," said Mrs. W. A. Lewis, president of the Auxiliary unit of Long Prairie, Minn., after she carried to a disabled veteran in a local hospital fifty dollars raised by the post in a scarf-stitching contest.

The membership of the Hutchinson (Minn.) Auxiliary unit has jumped from 60 to 115. The women of the unit recently served a banquet to 350 Legionnaires and Auxiliary members. They have made and put up curtains in the Legion clubrooms and helped the men put on a home-talent play.

Hundreds of bodies of soldier dead have passed through San Antonio, Tex., the distributing center for the region, but not one casket goes on its way to a gold-star home without a floral tribute placed on it by a committee of the Women's Auxiliary of Alamo Post.

"Who else can give you fine home cooking with your banquets? Who else can straighten up your clubhouse and give it a homelike appearance? Who knows more

about service than the women?" This is the challenge of the Women's Auxiliary of Kansas in its recently declared war on all bachelor posts in the Sunflower State. Whole flocks of Kansas posts are deserting to the enemy owing to a seductive propaganda consisting of fried chicken, pies and cakes and darnings and patchings.

## HEADQUARTERS BULLETINS

**SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION BANDS, ORCHESTRAS AND OTHER MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS.—SPECIAL No. 32.**

In order that no misunderstanding may arise between American Legion bands, orchestras, and other musical organizations, and the members of professional or commercial musical organizations, the following suggestions are made to posts and departments having American Legion musical organizations:

*First:* Avoid competition with professional musical organizations.

*Second:* Confine the activities of the post or department band to purely American Legion and patriotic occasions. Otherwise conform to local conditions relating to the employment of professional or commercial bands or artists.

*Third:* In case of controversies, refer the matter to committees consisting of members of The American Legion who are representative of both sides of the argument.

It is desired that every post be free to give such entertainments as it sees fit and to exercise all the functions of a patriotic and social organization. At the same time, it is not desirable that The American Legion come into commercial competition on an unfair basis with the members of commercial or professional organizations.

It is the earnest wish of the National Commander that all officials of The American Legion, while maintaining every principle and right of The American Legion as an independent organization, studiously develop and maintain pleasant relations with all existing groups in their vicinities.—**LEMUEL BOLLES, National Adjutant.**

**SUBJECT: DISTRIBUTION OF MOTION PICTURE FILMS.—SPECIAL No. 31.**

Many posts of The American Legion are availing themselves of the existing opportunity of getting educational motion pictures. Two sources of such films have been open to posts, the Bureau of Commercial Economics, Washington, D. C., and the various state universities. Complete information on the procurement of these films already has been sent out.

Interest shown by posts has convinced the National Commander that further motion picture service should be extended to posts desiring it. Arrangements are being made whereby, in addition to previous film sources, other films, entertaining as well as informative, will be made available to posts. These will include war action pictures of the United States Signal Corps, the official and highly interesting navy film and certain high-grade comedies and animated cartoons. These will be supplied at a price that will only cover costs.

Should the demand warrant it, it will be possible in the future to provide regular entertainment programs for post meetings and shows, to be supplied at a cost based on quantity distribution, and with the minimum of effort on the part of the post. The National Commander has placed James E. Darst, of The American Legion News Service, in temporary charge of this work and departments may instruct posts to communicate with him at National Headquarters for further information.—**LEMUEL BOLLES, National Adjutant.**

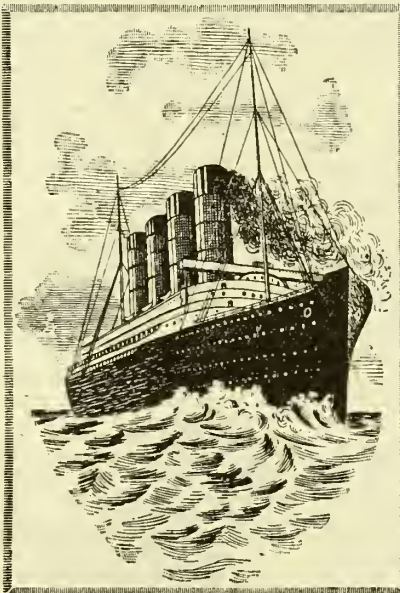
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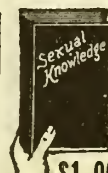


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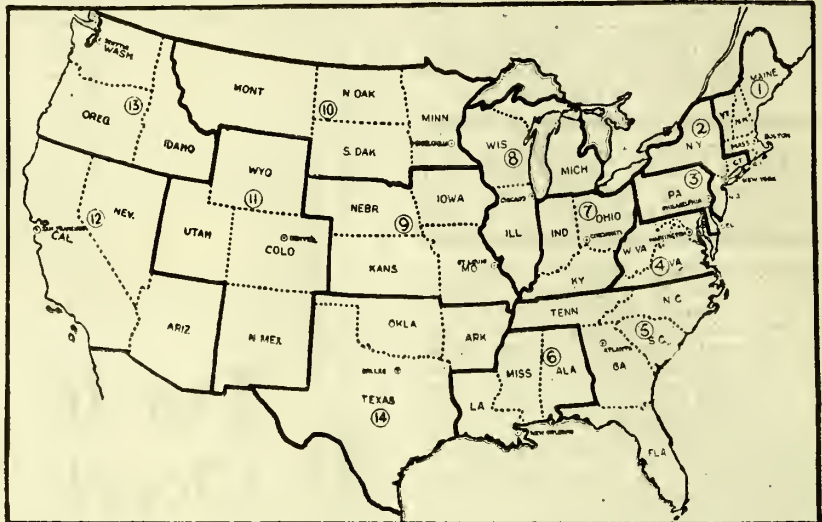
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# Localizing the Disabled Problem



The fourteen regional districts created by the Sweet Act are outlined in heavy black lines on the above map. The cities indicated are the district offices, and the numbers are the official numerical designations of the districts.

**N**O provision in the recently enacted Sweet Bill holds brighter promise for the solution of the problem of soldier relief than the authorization of fourteen regional district offices of the Veterans' Bureau created by the act and the establishment of such branch offices, up to a total of 140, as may be necessary. It was just such a provision which The American Legion has been seeking in its long struggle for the decentralization of soldier relief. The fourteen offices also play a prominent part in the nation-wide clean-up of disabled cases now being conducted by the Government, the American Red Cross and The American Legion.

Recognizing the urgent necessity of establishing contact with the disabled ex-service man, two of the soldier relief agencies, the Federal Board for Vocational Education and the United States Public Health Service, more than a year before the passage of the Sweet Bill decentralized their field work by the creation of fourteen regional district offices. Only the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, the greatest insurance and compensation company in the world, remained tied to the letter of the law, with eight branch offices for the entire country.

Immediately following the report of the Dawes Committee, however, the Bureau of War Risk Insurance was authorized by a Treasury Department regulation to join the other two government agencies in all of the fourteen regional offices. This was done, and the Sweet Bill, when it became a law, found that this salient provision was already practically in force.

The fourteen regional districts of the new Veterans' Bureau were therefore all ready to operate as single units of a single soldier relief agency the day the Sweet Bill became a law. Thereupon the personnel of the Vocational Board, the Public Health Service and the Bureau of War Risk Insurance passed over automatically to form the personnel of the new Veterans' Bureau District Office. It was only necessary for the director of the new Veterans' Bureau to name fourteen district managers to assume control of the consolidated offices.

The fourteen regional district offices of the Veterans' Bureau are all-powerful with reference to compensation, vocational training, hospitalization and insurance. Subject only to "the approval of the director," meaning final review at Washington, they will make definite decisions in all cases presented by ex-service men. Hereafter the ex-service man will not be compelled to wait "to hear from Washington" for an answer. The one hundred and forty branch offices of the fourteen district offices, many

of which are now being established, are simply clerical clearing houses for the regional offices.

The following is a list of the district offices with the names of the district managers (the number in each case is the official number of the district):

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## 34,200 Women Veterans

**T**HE terms "ex-service man," "disabled man" and "veteran" are so often used that there is a tendency to overlook the fact that 34,200 women were enlisted members of America's World War forces and that, as a consequence, all of the problems and perplexities known to the ex-service man in the matter of rehabilitation and reconstruction are likewise known to them. The questions of veterans' preference rights, compensation, hospital treatment and vocational training are questions with which these women who served side by side with the great bulk of soldiers, sailors and marines are now as intimately concerned as any of the masculine ex-combatants.

More than 1250 of these women veterans are receiving compensation and hospital treatment from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance because of disabilities received in the service; 257 of them are now taking vocational training, 21 have finished their vocational training courses, and approximately fifty more will soon take up training. The largest percentage of those disabled are suffering from tuberculosis as a result of irregular hours, unaccustomed food and other hardships incident to service in field and other hospitals. Only three are suffering from the effects of wounds, and five or six from shell shock.

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at Oteen, N. C., is one long ward given over to the treatment of tubercular women of the World War. There are similar wards in other hospitals, such as those at Prescott and Whipple Barracks, Ariz. Generally speaking, women who have sufficiently recovered to take vocational training and have been adjudged to be vocationally handicapped are taking courses in nursing, laboratory work and secretarial and clerical work under the Federal Board. Others, however, in small groups of from three to twelve, are pursuing courses of various kinds ranging from social service work to law.

The records show that of the 34,200 women who enlisted in the World War in the different branches of the service open to women, 21,500 were members of the Army Nurse Corps, 11,100 were Yeomen (F), 4,000 were members of the Navy Nurse Corps and 300 Marinettes. About one-half of the women who enlisted got overseas.

In addition to these women, who have been recognized as having the same military status as enlisted men of the various branches of the service, there are about 400 women who served overseas in the A. E. F., 64 of whom were in the Quartermaster Corps, 48 in the Ordnance Department, 205 in the Signal Corps and 24 in the Medical Corps, who have not as yet been recognized as having enjoyed military status. A bill giving them this status has been prepared.

### Young But Going Strong

"JUST a few lines to tell what we are doing in our Post in the Middle West and if our activities are any encouragement to other posts in small towns, we are doubly repaid for our efforts." That is the way Clinton McAuliffe Post, of Chap-pell, Nebr., a town of 1,500, prefaces the recital of its activities since it was organized a few months ago. "We already have a membership of seventy; in fact, nearly every ex-service man in the community belongs," the Post adds. "The rest we will have before long."

"We have already staged two boxing matches, the first bringing in \$350 and the second about \$400. Also, we have put on a musical revue with a cast of sixty people, commandeering nearly all the girls in the community to help us. The show was a great success, bringing in about \$600, and plans are being made to take it to other towns in this vicinity."

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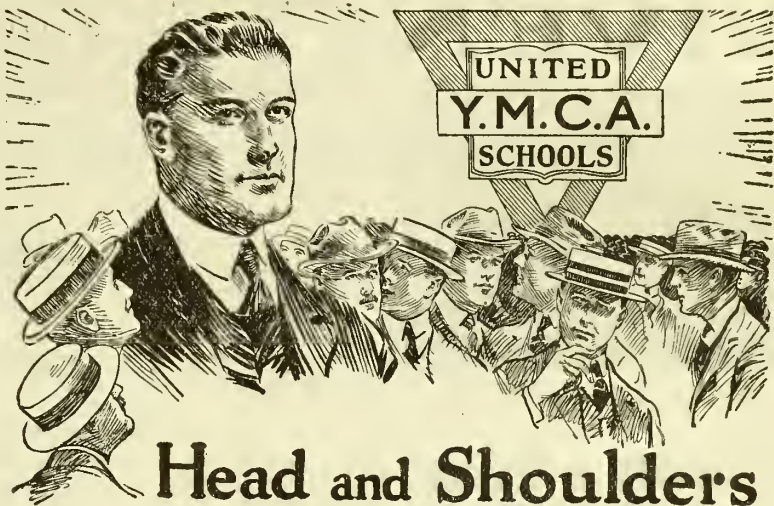
"We are also managing the town baseball team and have a twenty piece band, recently organized. We have laid plans for a dancing pavilion which will have a floor 50 by 80 feet. We have been having dances every two weeks, but need a larger floor to accommodate the crowds."

### Putting Over a New School

REALIZING that good schools are a community's best asset, The American Legion Post of Petaluma, Cal., recently joined hands with the Parent-Teacher Association and other civic organizations of the city in a successful campaign to secure a bond issue of \$250,000 for the purpose of building a new junior high school. The school facilities of the town were inadequate but before a new school could be built it was necessary that bonds be authorized at an election.

The officers of the Legion post made every possible effort to arouse the people of the city to a realization of the necessity of making adequate provision for education. Public meetings were held. Bulletins and letters were sent out to all Legion members urging them to go to the polls and vote "yes" on the school bond issue and asking them to begin a campaign among their friends and associates.

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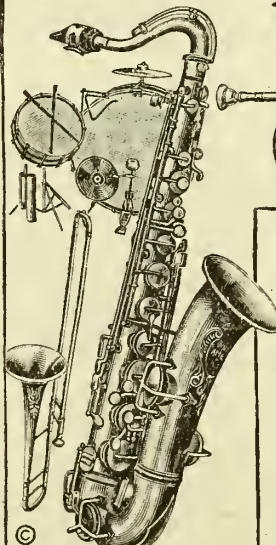
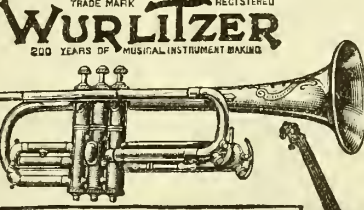
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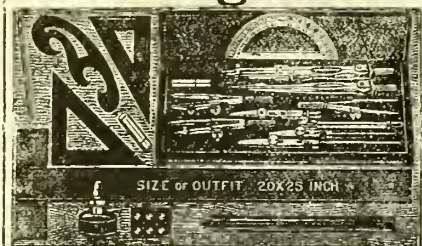
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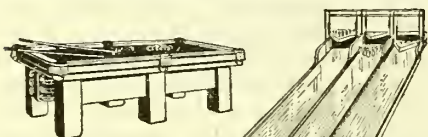


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### Adjusted Compensation

IN reply to numerous inquiries addressed to the National Service Division concerning The American Legion's Adjusted Compensation Bill, the following is here stated in order to clear up a misapprehension prevailing in many quarters:

If the Adjusted Compensation Bill should become law:

(a) The benefits it would bestow would in no way affect the compensation, insurance, vocational training or hospitalization provided by law for disabled veterans. The disabled would be entitled to all the benefits of adjusted compensation in addition to whatever compensation, insurance, vocational training or hospitalization benefits they were already receiving.

(b) All ex-service men of the World War, however, the disabled as well as the able-bodied, would have the \$60 Federal bonus granted upon discharge deducted from the amount allowed under the Adjusted Compensation Bill.

### South Dakota Compensation Applications

NON-RESIDENTS of South Dakota, entitled to payment of state compensation may obtain application blanks from the State Compensation Board at Pierre. When a former resident's application has been filled out, it is to be forwarded to the commander of the Legion post in the seat of the county in which the applicant formerly resided. The applicant's original Army discharge papers should be sent with the application. The Legion official receiving the application will investigate the statements made in it and will certify that it is correct if the claim is so found. Applicants are expected to send with their application as references the names of at least three persons who knew them while they were living in South Dakota.

### At the Disabled Man's Expense

THE Comptroller General of the United States has rendered an opinion to the effect that it is illegal for the Bureau of War Risk Insurance or the Veterans' Bureau to make awards for permanent and total disability to disabled veterans of the World War under Treasury Regulation 57.

Treasury Regulation 57 was prepared by the former Director of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, R. G. Cholmeley-Jones, and became effective November 26, 1920. Under it approximately 15,000 disabled veterans, in hospitals six months or more, having been examined and found still in need of hospitalization and "unable to follow continuously any substantially gainful occupation," have been granted awards by the Bureau as permanently and totally disabled. These awards, under Regulation 57, meant to these men an increase of \$20 a month in their compensation and payment to them of \$5.75 a month for each \$1,000 of War Risk term insurance in force. An average of about \$60 a month increase in compensation and insurance payments went, under Treasury Regulation 57, to each of the 15,000 concerned.

The Comptroller General's decision means that hereafter the length of a veteran's stay in a hospital will not necessarily affect his compensation award. The Bureau, he

rules, must stick strictly to the letter of the law in deciding what constitutes total and permanent disability. His decision also means that all of the 15,000 men drawing the extra compensation and insurance under Regulation 57 must be re-examined and re-rated, not on the basis of six months or more in a hospital, further need of hospitalization and inability to pursue a gainful occupation, but upon the basis of fact required for total and permanent disability awards.

It is estimated that four-fifths of the disabled men drawing the extra compensation and insurance payments for total and permanent disability will lose them by the repeal of this regulation. The Government will save by the Comptroller General's decision approximately \$720,000 a month.

All awards for permanent and total disability under Regulation 57 made prior to July 25, 1921, will remain in force until after re-examination and re-rating of the men affected. All such awards made subsequent to July 25, 1921, will be ineffective.

According to the Director of the Bureau, the general language in the Sweet Bill is believed to be broad enough to permit a liberal regulation covering awards for all classes of disability. Such a regulation as will take care not only of the men cared for by Regulation 57 but of thousands of disabled veterans outside of hospitals is in course of preparation.

### Recreation Facilities for Trainees

AS the result of a special appropriation for the purpose made by National Headquarters of the American Red Cross, \$175,000 is to be spent during the next twelve months in providing recreational facilities for disabled ex-service men in training in Federal Board Training centers. Expenditures from this fund will be confined to the equipment of recreational rooms and buildings. Personnel to direct the recreational activities will be furnished by the Federal Board. Recreation to be provided will include social and musical evenings, minstrel shows, motion picture entertainments, club features and athletics.

### Passports and Visas for Alien Relatives

THE National Service Division is receiving daily a great number of requests from ex-service men and women for assistance in obtaining permission for their alien relatives to enter this country. Attention is called to the new regulations which have recently become effective concerning the visaging of passports. The following instructions are explicit and should be followed:

1. Aliens abroad should obtain passports from the foreign government to which they owe allegiance.

2. These passports should be presented in person to the American commissioner or consul in or nearest to the district where they now reside. At the office of the consul they will make an application for a visa permitting them to proceed to the United States. They should have three small photographs made for identification purposes. It is furthermore advisable to present letters from friends and relatives in this country, particularly ex-service men or women, setting forth why they desire to come to the United States, information as to what their occupation will be, with whom they will reside and their ability to support themselves or to be taken care of properly upon arrival.

The fee for preparing the alien's application is one dollar and the fee for the visa is nine dollars. These fees must be paid by the alien to the American consul abroad.

Under the present regulations no alien whose passport does not bear the visa stamped thereon by the American consul abroad will be allowed to enter the United States.

American consuls in all foreign countries have been instructed in detail as to those applicants to whom visas are to be granted and in what cases they are to be refused. There are certain classes of applications which must be submitted to the State Department for decision, but such cases may only be submitted by the consuls abroad after the alien has made application for a visa. The State Department is unable to render a decision in these instances until the official report from its officials abroad is received.

As the immigration laws on this subject are inflexible, it is important to know that cases should no longer be taken up with the State Department by persons in this country. It is a matter entirely between the aliens themselves and American consuls.

#### Army to Supply War Risk Information

ARMY personnel adjutants, recruiting officers and regular officers on duty with the National Guard or the organized reserves have been asked in War Department General Orders No. 27, Series of 1921, to familiarize themselves with the operations of War Risk Insurance with a view to being of definite assistance to any ex-service inquirer. The order is one of the first issued over the signature of John J. Pershing as "General of the Armies and Chief of Staff."

The text of the order is as follows:

Assistance for ex-service men in their relations with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.—

1. It is the purpose of the War Department, acting through its available personnel, to assist ex-service men in every possible way in securing contact with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, thus enabling them without delay to renew or convert their insurance, to secure medical or dental treatment, hospitalization or vocational training, or to present their claims for compensation.

2. The obligation is imposed upon all personnel adjutants throughout the Army, recruiting officers, and regular officers on duty with the National Guard and organized reserves, to aid their less fortunate comrades. Such officers will at once familiarize themselves with the orders and circulars relating to the War Risk Insurance Bureau, insofar as these instructions refer to renewal or conversion of insurance, compensation, medical or dental treatment, hospitalization and vocational training, so that intelligent assistance and advice may be afforded ex-service men in regard to their relations with the Bureau.

3. The officers mentioned will obtain without delay direct from the War Risk Insurance Bureau a supply of all blank forms needed by ex-service men in their contact with this Bureau.

4. Upon application from ex-soldiers, the officers mentioned in paragraph 2 will furnish blank forms, will assist in the preparation of applications, will carefully examine all papers or instructions on the forms in question, and will themselves promptly forward the completed applications or statements directly to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

#### Outfit Reunions

Owing to the time necessary to print this magazine, contributions for this column must be received three weeks in advance of the events with which they are concerned.

91st Div.—The 91st Division Association of Washington will hold its second annual reunion at Seattle, Sept. 24, 25 and 26. Oregon is to send a large delegation and delegations are expected from seven other northwest States. Accommodations may be reserved through Jules Edw. Markow, Hotel Butler, Seattle, Wash. The Seattle reunion is to be held at the same time as the annual reunion of the 91st Division Association in Los Angeles, Sept. 24 and 25.

INTERNATIONAL AERO CONGRESS—At Omaha, Nebr., Nov. 3, 4 and 5. All American aces have been invited. Group reunions will be held by men who served in squadrons, escadrilles and training schools during the war. There will also be a reunion of the Fort Omaha Balloon School. An exhibit of all types of planes and flying equipment will be a feature of the Congress. Information may be obtained from the International Aero Congress, Peters Trust Bldg., Omaha, Nebr.

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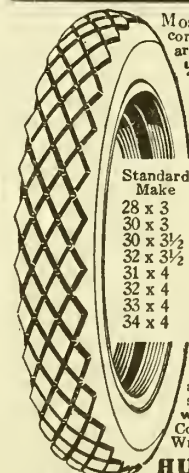
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## The Legion and Labor

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unions of the city in a picnic at which speakers dwelt upon the elimination of friction which had once seemed to exist between members of the two organizations.

The relation between labor and the Legion in Kansas possess unusual interest because of unfounded accusations that the Legion had acted as strike breakers during the Kansas coal strike. In convincing unions of the falsity of the charges, Kansas posts broke down barriers of suspicion and union men in large numbers became members of the Legion. The Legion posts in Weir and Mulberry, which made the heaviest proportionate membership gains last spring, owed their success largely to new members from the coal mines. The adjutant of Weir Post reports that his post is made up of 72 percent union men.

The United Mine Workers of America in Toluca, Ill., showed that they estimate the Legion's character properly by giving their indorsement to Rolinski Post, with the result that every ex-service man in Toluca, 220 in a town of 2,600 people, became a Legionnaire.

The Legion's membership make-up was also emphasized in the Department of Washington recently when the Legion's special train run from Seattle to Hoquiam for the department convention was manned entirely by Legionnaires who were also members of the railroad brotherhoods.

The American Legion has suffered much annoyance through the exploitation of its name by selfish interests in private controversies. Many occurrences were attributed with blame to the Legion when investigation revealed that the Legion had not been concerned. The steel strike at Gary, Ind., gave an illustration of this. Newspaper dispatches announced that "Gary Post of The American Legion had furnished 300 strike breakers." The Department of Illinois, realizing that if a post had really so acted, it had violated Legion principles, sent an investigating committee to Gary. This committee learned that 300 men had formed an organization which they called the "Loyal American Legion" and had furnished strike breakers. They had held a parade at Gary led by three so-called conscientious objectors. Court action was threatened to stop the mushroom strike-breaking outfit from using the Legion's name, whereupon it went out of business.

This incident is only typical of the manner in which other cases in which the Legion's reputation has been challenged have been cleared up. In the New York harbor strike, in the Denver street car strike, in a number of other instances where strike-breaking accusations have been made, it has only required an examination of facts to show that the Legion has been misrepresented, either through distorted news dispatches or because some one had a selfish purpose in spreading the propaganda.

Samuel Gompers, in a letter to Frederick W. Galbraith, Jr., late National Commander of the Legion, explained that he had been helpful in acquainting members of trades unions with the true aims and objects of The American Legion. He added:

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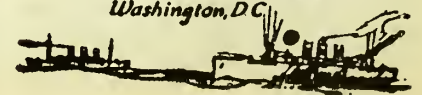
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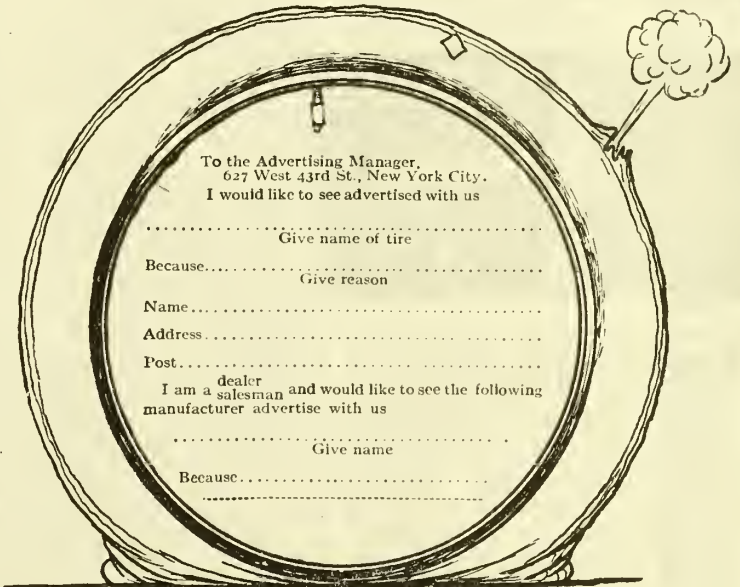
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## Compensation and the House

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EDWARD W. POU, North Carolina, Democrat: "I shall most heartily support H.R. 1. In doing so, I shall not feel that I am voting to give anybody a bonus. I hope the administration now in power will not sidetrack this legislation. If the bill comes to a vote in the House, my prediction is that there will not be seventy-five votes against it."

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ISRAEL M. FOSTER, Ohio, Republican: "I have been, am now and expect to continue to be, in favor of the adjusted compensation plan of The Legion."

FRANK PARK, Georgia, Democrat: "I am in favor of granting this adjusted compensation right now."

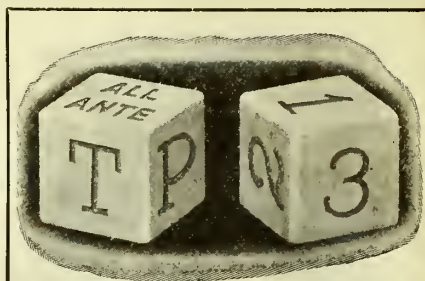
LADISLAS LAZARO, Louisiana, Democrat: "I have done everything I could to help pass this bill and shall continue to do so in the future."

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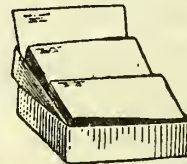
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